HIV/AIDS and Minorities: A Guide to Federal Programs

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In response to public inquiries for more information on HIV-related programs administered or initiated by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the Office of HIV/AIDS Policy — which advises the Assistant Secretary for Health and senior department officials on the development of HIV/AIDS policy and the implementation of HIV/AIDS programs and activities across the Department's health agencies — has developed HIV/AIDS and Minorities: A Guide to Federal Programs.

The *Guide* contains information on the agencies within DHHS that are involved in HIV/AIDS-related activities, highlighting their minority-focused HIV/AIDS programs. The *Guide* does not include all of the Federal agencies and their programs, but does contain relevant information that can be used by organizations providing HIV prevention and care services.

We hope that this *Guide* will facilitate future information sharing between the Federal agencies and the public. It is our goal to keep the *Guide* and its information as current and accurate as possible. To achieve this, we will be updating it regularly and will make it accessible through the Web page of the Office of Minority Health (www.omhrc.gov) and the soon-to-be-completed Web page of the Surgeon General (www.surgeongeneral.gov). To ensure that the information on the Web is current and accurate, we welcome your comments. Please contact Miguel Gomez, Office of HIV/AIDS Policy, via e-mail at MGomez@osophs.dhhs.gov regarding any questions or corrections.

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INTRODUCTION

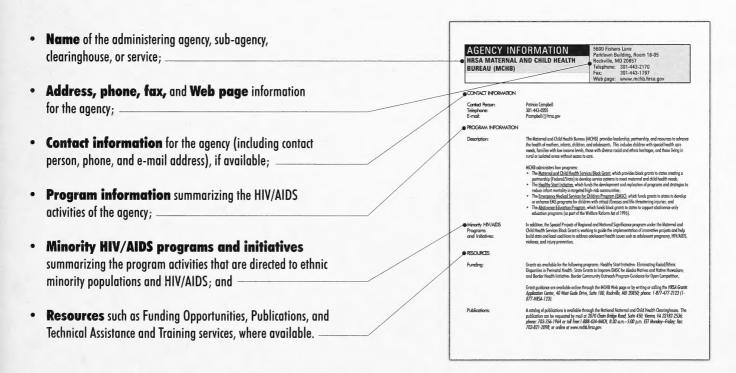
HIV/AIDS and Minorities: A Guide to Federal Programs is a directory of agencies within the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that are involved in HIV/AIDS service provision and related activities, highlighting their minority-focused HIV/AIDS programs. These agencies include the Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS); the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA); the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); the National Institutes of Health (NIH); the Indian Health Service (IHS); the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR); the Food and Drug Administration (FDA); the Administration for Children and Families (ACF); the Administration on Aging (AOA); and the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA). Also included in the Guide is information on the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of HIV/AIDS Housing and several clearinghouses and services: CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN), the National AIDS Hotline, the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS), the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS), and the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI). Finally, a quick reference list of Web pages and toll-free numbers for health information, as well as other useful information, is provided in the appendices.

This *Guide* updates and expands upon information provided in the *AIDS Guide to Federal Agencies and Resources* that was produced by the National Council of La Raza in June 1991. It will remain a living document, updated regularly and accessible through the Web pages of the Surgeon General (www.surgeongeneral.gov) and the Office of Minority Health (www.omhrc.gov).

HOW TO USE THE GUIDE

The Guide contains two sections: Agency Information and Appendices.

The Agency Information section contains information for the principal DHHS agencies, organizational components, and other HIV/AIDS-related services. The DHHS agencies appear in alphabetical order followed by the components they administer. Each entry contains the following information:



The Appendices contain a matrix illustrating the services available from each of the agencies, reference lists of Web pages, toll-free numbers for health information, and diagrams of selected agencies and their organizational components.

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is the principal health agency of the Federal Government. Its mission is to protect and advance the health of the nation's citizens.

DHHS administers 12 health agencies:

- Administration for Children and Families (ACF)
- Administration on Aging (AOA)
- Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR)
- Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA)
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- Indian Health Service (IHS)
- National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- Program Support Center (PSC)
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)

All the agencies listed above, except for the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry and the Program Support Center, have specific HIV/AIDS programs and activities. In addition, the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health operates five Offices that address HIV/AIDS programs and activities:

- Office of Civil Rights (OCR)
- Office of HIV/AIDS Policy (OHAP)
- Office of Minority Health (OMH)
- Office of Population Affairs (OPA)
- Office of Women's Health (OWH)

OCR: The **Office of Civil Rights** protects the rights of individuals with HIV/AIDS under Section 504. This law protects qualified individuals from discrimination based solely on their handicap. The law prohibits discrimination against persons infected with HIV; and forbids an entity that receives federal funds from excluding or denying individuals with handicaps an equal opportunity to receive program benefits and services.

OHAP: The **Office of HIV/AIDS Policy** advises the Assistant Secretary for Health and senior Department officials on the appropriate and timely development of HIV/AIDS policy, and establishment of priorities and implementation of HIV/AIDS programs, activities, and initiatives across the Department's health agencies.

Description (Continued):

OMH: The **Office of Minority Health** promotes improved health among racial and ethnic minority populations. It is responsible for coordinating minority health policy and programs; linking Federal, State, and local governments, and community-based organizations that work with minority populations; and disseminating information on minority health issues through its Resource Center.

OPA: The **Office of Population Affairs** administers two grant programs: the Title X Family Planning Program and the Title XX Adolescent Family Life Program, which provide resources and policy advice on family planning, reproductive health, and adolescent pregnancy issues.

OWH: The Office of Women's Health coordinates women's health research, health care services, policy, and public and health care professional education across these agencies. OWH collaborates with other Government organizations and consumer and health care professional groups. The Office operates the Women and HIV/AIDS Collaborative Group and the Secretary's Workgroup on Women and HIV/AIDS.

ACF: The Administration on Children and Families operates the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program that replaced the Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) in 1997. TANF provides financial assistance and work opportunities to needy families through State and Federal funds. In addition, ACF operates several programs that work to make adoptions and temporary child care for children with special needs easier.

AOA: The **Administration on Aging** administers the programs of the Older Americans Act and is the Federal focal point and advocate agency for older persons and their concerns. AOA programs are decentralized, allowing states to direct their services in areas of need within the community.

AHCPR: The Agency for Health Care Policy and Research works to enhance the quality, appropriateness, and effectiveness of health care services and to improve access to that care. AHCPR also conducts and supports health services research on issues of quality, cost, and availability of health care services, as well as appropriateness of clinical practice and prevention of disease.

ATSDR: The Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry has as its mission the prevention of adverse human health effects and diminished quality of life associated with exposure to hazardous substances from waste sites, unplanned releases, and other sources of pollution present in the environment. Directed by a congressional mandate, ATSDR is responsible for performing public health assessments of waste sites, health consultations concerning specific hazardous substances, health surveillance and registries, responses to emergency releases of hazardous substances, applied research in support of public health assessments, information development and dissemination, and education and training concerning hazardous substances.

CDC: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provide leadership in the prevention and control of diseases and other preventable conditions that threaten the public health. The HIV program at CDC has five major components: (1) technical and financial assistance to State and local health and education agencies, minority and other national, regional, and community-based organizations for HIV/AIDS surveillance, research, prevention, and intervention activities; (2) national public information activities, including hotlines, an information clearinghouse, online treatment and referral Web pages and databases, and media campaigns; (3) HIV/AIDS surveillance and research activities that produce information about the number of HIV (where available) and AIDS cases; HIV transmission; HIV/AIDS-related knowledge, attitudes, and beliefs; and prevention and control of the disease in the United States; (4) HIV prevention guidelines, recommendations, and training; and (5) program evaluation.

FDA: The **Food and Drug Administration** ensures the safety and effectiveness of drugs, biological materials, vaccines, and medical devices, including those used in the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of HIV infection, AIDS, and AIDS-associated opportunistic infections. The FDA is also responsible for maintaining the safety of the blood supply through licensing and regulatory programs.

Description (Continued):

HCFA: The **Health Care Financing Administration** administers the Medicaid program, oversees the Medicare program, and co-administers (with HRSA) the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). The Medicaid program provides primary health care and pharmaceutical assistance coverage for individuals, including those living with HIV/AIDS.

HRSA: The Health Resources and Services Administration is responsible for the grant programs authorized by the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act, reauthorized in 1996. HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) coordinates the Federal AIDS programs relating to patient care, health services delivery, data collection, and the training of health care professionals. Other HRSA Bureaus include the Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC), which directs programs to provide access to health care for underserved communities, and the Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB), which operates health programs that serve mothers, infants, children, and adolescents.

IHS: The Indian Health Service provides a comprehensive health service delivery system for American Indians and Alaskan Natives with opportunity for maximum tribal involvement in developing and managing programs to meet their health needs. The agency operates the HIV Center of Excellence (HIVCOE), a primary health care facility specializing in issues of HIV and STD prevention and treatment within the Native American community.

NIH: The National Institutes of Health is responsible for supporting and conducting biomedical research. Its work includes the development of candidate vaccines, drugs, and other treatments to prevent and control HIV infection. NIH also supports clinical trials that evaluate the effectiveness of specific drugs and treatments. In addition, it collaborates with other DHHS agencies on research involving such issues as regulatory approval of new drugs and the safety of the blood supply.

SAMHSA: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration administers three centers that coordinate Federal programs related to substance abuse and mental health services: the Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS), the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), and the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT). In addition, special offices focus and coordinate the agency's work in the areas of AIDS, women, minorities, policy, care, prevention, and treatment. The Administration supports research directed toward understanding and assessing neurological, psychiatric, behavioral, and psychosocial aspects of HIV infection. As part of its research programs, SAMHSA also supports the development of drug and alcohol abuse treatment and prevention strategies, as well as training for clinicians on aspects of substance abuse and mental health of HIV/AIDS clients.

See the individual listing that follows each of the agency units described above for additional information on HIV/AIDS programs and ethnic minority communities.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

• The Assistant Secretary for Health and Surgeon General, Dr. David Satcher, and the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, Dr. Margaret Hamburg, are leading the Initiative to Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health. The proposed goals of the Initiative are to eliminate health disparities experienced by racial and ethnic minority populations in six different areas: infant mortality, cancer screening and management, cardiovascular disease, diabetes, HIV infection/AIDS, and immunization. The Initiative proposes enhanced efforts at preventing disease, promoting health, and delivering care to racial/ethnic minority communities. These efforts will include consultation and collaboration with Federal agencies; State, local, and tribal governments; and community professionals to research and address issues of education, environment, income, and other socioeconomic factors that affect health outcomes.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives (Continued):

DHHS, in cooperation with the <u>Congressional Black Caucus</u>, has developed initiatives aimed at reducing
the disproportionate impact of HIV/AIDS on racial and ethnic communities. Funding will be allocated to
Public Health Service agencies to develop programs in the areas of technical assistance and
infrastructure support, increasing access to prevention and care, and building stronger linkages to
address the needs of specific populations. As part of these initiatives, DHHS makes Crisis Response
Teams available to communities, which provide technical assistance in addressing HIV/AIDS within
minority populations.

Other

 Federal agencies have developed their own unique programs or special offices that target services, policy, and leadership in the area of HIV/AIDS and ethnic minority communities. See each individual agency listing for information.

RESOURCES

The Department of Health and Human Services provides the following resources through its 12 agencies:

- Funding for HIV/AIDS prevention, education, planning, and service delivery programs;
- Education and training materials;
- Training, workshops, and conferences;
- Hotlines, clearinghouses, Web pages, and online databases;
- Research programs, including the opportunity to participate in community-based clinical trials of new drugs and treatments; and
- General information and statistics on HIV/AIDS.

See each agency listing for specific resources and contact information.

ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES (ACF)

370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W.

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

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The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is responsible for a range of Federal assistance and services programs that promote the economic and social well-being of families, children, individuals, and communities. Organizationally, ACF includes the Office of Family Assistance; Office of Child Support Enforcement; Office of Refugee Resettlement; Administration on Children, Youth, and Families; Administration for Native Americans; Administration on Developmental Disabilities; and the Office of Community Services. At the Federal level, ACF administers several broad income assistance and services programs that serve eligible populations. Although no ACF funds are targeted specifically for HIV/AIDS programs, individuals, children, and families with HIV/AIDS are included among the populations served. ACF programs that assist families affected by HIV/AIDS include the following:

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) is the new welfare reform block grant program that
 provides wide flexibility to States to develop and implement their own assistance and work opportunities
 programs. Some families and children with HIV/AIDS may receive assistance under this program.
- Head Start programs, administered by local public and private nonprofit agencies, provide
 comprehensive child development services educational, social, health, and nutritional to primarily
 low-income children and families. Head Start programs address the needs of all families and children
 in the program, including those affected by HIV/AIDS.
- <u>Child Welfare Services</u> represent a range of programs for abandoned infants (particularly those
 orphaned by the AIDS epidemic), abused and neglected children, children in foster care, adolescents in
 independent living status, and children placed for adoption. Administered by both State public and
 private agencies, each of these programs may serve children and families affected by HIV/AIDS.
- Runaway and Homeless Youth Programs are administered by local public and nonprofit agencies, offer
 temporary shelter to runaway and homeless youth, and counseling for the youth and their families.
 Local programs may also provide medical diagnostic services, assistance in obtaining medical treatment,
 and prevention and education services related to HIV/AIDS.
- <u>Services for the Developmentally Disabled</u> <u>University Affiliated Programs (UAPs)</u> are public and non-profit private agencies affiliated with a university to provide clinical services, community-based service programs, technical assistance to State and community services organizations, and public information. These university programs also carry out teaching, training, and research activities. Children and families affected by HIV/AIDS are among the populations served.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs

and Initiatives:

Minority children and families with HIV/AIDS are served under all of the above ACF programs.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Funding is available to State and local grantees to support these and other programs that may also serve persons affected by HIV/AIDS, such as programs to obtain child support and programs to serve refugee populations, Native Americans, and other low-income persons.

Publications:

The National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center provides information, training, and support to programs and professionals serving drug- and AIDS-affected families and abandoned infants. For more information contact the center by phone: 510-643-8390 or fax: 510-643-7019.

The National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information provides fact sheets, user manual series, statistical information, bibliographies, prevention resources, and resource listings related to child welfare, youth, and family issues. They also provide general bibliographic reference services related to HIV/AIDS. For more information contact: National Clearinghouse on Child Abuse and Neglect Information, phone: 800-394-3366 or 703-385-7565; fax: 703-385-3206; Web page: www.calib.com/nccanch.

Technical Assistance/

Training:

ACF has not sponsored recent technical assistance or training efforts related specifically to HIV/AIDS.

ADMINISTRATION ON AGING (AOA)

330 Independence Avenue, S.W.

Washington, DC 20201
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Fax: 202-401-7620

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description: The Administration on Aging (AOA) administers the programs of the Older Americans Act and is the

Federal focal point and advocate agency for older persons and their concerns. The AOA works to heighten awareness among other Federal agencies, organizations, groups, and the public about the contributions

that older individuals make and alerts them of their needs.

Appropriated funds are allotted to State Agencies on Aging, which distribute these funds to Area Agencies on Aging to coordinate and arrange for the delivery, through more than 26,000 provider agencies, of home- and community-based supportive and nutrition services. Individuals 60 years of age and older are eligible for AOA programs, but low-income and minority individuals, residents of rural areas, those living

alone, and those with disabilities that require assistance are particularly targeted.

RESOURCES

Publications: The National Aging Information Center is a central source for a wide variety of publications, policy

documents, program information, and statistical data on older Americans. The Center makes available an

online database for consumer access of information on the aging, which can be accessed through

www.aoa.gov/naic; phone: 202-619-7501; fax: 202-401-7620.

AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE POLICY AND RESEARCH (AHCPR)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR) is the lead agency charged with supporting research designed to improve the quality of health care, reduce its cost, and broaden access to essential services. The agency is composed of nine major functional components:

- Office of Management
- Office of Research Review, Education, and Policy
- Office of Health Care Information
- Center for Practice and Technology Assessment
- Center for Outcomes and Effectiveness Research
- Center for Primary Care Research
- Center for Organization and Delivery Studies
- Center for Cost and Financing Studies
- Center for Quality Measurements and Improvement

AHCPR's HIV/AIDS-related activities include the following:

HIV/AIDS Guidelines and Studies

- Information is available on activities related to AIDS and cost, treatment, and research outcomes.
- AHCPR provides financial support for the HIV Cost and Services Utilization Study (HCSUS). HCSUS is conducted by the RAND Corporation (a nonprofit research institution), and it examines costs of care, utilization of a wide array of services, access to care, quality of care, quality of life, unmet needs for medical and nonmedical services, social support, satisfaction with medical care, and knowledge of HIV therapies. For more information on this study contact: John Fleishman; Center for Cost and Financing Studies, Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 500, Rockville, MD 20852; phone: 301-594-2007; e-mail: jfleishm@ahcpr.gov.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

AHCPR is committed to providing opportunities for research and demonstrations to identify effective approaches to reduce or eliminate the existing disparities in the quality, outcomes, and access to care for minority populations for conditions that include HIV/AIDS. Past research efforts of the agency have included research on issues pertaining to health care access and the problems minority populations face in trying to access services; model outreach programs targeting minority groups; and assessing the health care needs of minority women with AIDS.

RESOURCES

Funding:

AHCPR funds research projects that examine the availability, quality, and costs of health care services; ways to improve the effectiveness and appropriateness of clinical practice, including the prevention of disease; and other areas of health services research. AHCPR also supports small grants, conference grants, and training to institutions and individuals. *Inquiries can be directed to: Equals Three Communications, 7910 Woodmont Avenue, Suite 200, Bethesda, MD 20814; phone: 301-656-3100; fax: 301-652-5264; e-mail: mdl@equals3.com.*

Publications:

AHCPR, in partnership with the American Association of Health Plans and the American Medical Association, is sponsoring a World Wide Web-based National Guideline Clearinghouse™ (NGC). The Web page can be accessed through www.guideline.gov. Available information (English and Spanish) includes standardized abstracts, comparison of guidelines covering similar topics, and topic-related online groups.

The agency makes available an online database for consumer research on different health issues through AHCPR's Web page.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC)

1600 Clifton Road, N.E., MSE07

Atlanta, GA 30333

Telephone: 403-639-3311 Web page: www.cdc.gov

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) provides leadership in the prevention and control of disease, injury, and disability. The agency operates the following Offices and Centers:

- Epidemiology Program Office
- National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion
- National Center for Environmental Health
- National Center for Health Statistics
- National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention
- National Center for Infectious Diseases
- National Center for Injury Prevention and Control
- National Immunization Program
- National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health
- Office of Genetics and Disease Prevention
- Office of Global Health
- Public Health Practice Program Office

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

The overall goal of the Office of the Associate Director for Minority Health at CDC and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry is to close the health gap by enhancing the overall health of the American public. Efforts are directed to reducing the burden of preventable disease and illness through health promotion and disease prevention initiatives geared specifically toward U.S. minority populations and, where appropriate, similar ethnic/racial subgroups inside and outside the United States. In partnership with public agencies and private organizations, the Office supports minority health initiatives including research efforts, health practice, health promotion, health services, and environmental justice. For more information contact: Office of the Associate Director for Minority Health, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Mailstop D-39, 1600 Clifton Road, Atlanta, GA 30333; phone: 404-639-7220; fax: 404-639-7039; e-mail: rcw@odod1.em.cdc.gov.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC)

National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP)

1600 Clifton Road, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30333

Telephone: 404-639-8043 Fax: 404-639-8910

Web page: www.cdc.gov/nccdphp

CONTACT INFORMATION

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404-639-8043

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP) administers two divisions that work to promote healthy behaviors and health education for the general public in relation to HIV and AIDS.

The Division of Adolescent and School Health works to provide:

- Funds to States to develop school health programs that include HIV prevention;
- Funds for training of teachers and education agencies to provide HIV/STD (sexually transmitted disease) prevention education;
- Partnerships with Federal and professional organizations to develop policies and guidelines; and
- Technical assistance to States, local entities, and national organizations to evaluate the quality and
 effectiveness of the prevention programs.

The <u>School Health Education Curricula</u> program identifies and disseminates health education curricula that have well-documented evidence of effectiveness in reducing health risk behaviors among youth. The following programs target students and HIV/AIDS prevention:

- Reducing the Risk, a program for students in grades 9-10 that provides various interactive instructional strategies addressing teen sexual risk-taking and HIV prevention;
- Get Real About AIDS, an HIV prevention program for students in grades 9-12 addressing knowledge, perceptions of vulnerability, and skills for avoiding risky behaviors;
- Be Proud! Be Responsible!, a program for urban youth that stresses developing refusal, negotiation, and other skills that reduce risky behaviors for HIV infection; and
- Becoming a Responsible Teen, a program for African American youth aged 13-18 years that teaches
 assertive communication skills, limit setting, refusal, and negotiation skills for HIV prevention.

The **Division of Reproductive Health** provides direction and identifies needs, objectives, and recommendations to NCCDPHP in the area of reproductive health. The Division also supports research in the areas of effective development of interventions to prevent HIV/AIDS, STDs, and unwanted pregnancies.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION (CDC)

National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention

1600 Clifton Road, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30333

Telephone: 404-639-8000 Fax: 404-639-8600

Web page: www.cdc.gov/nchstp/od/nchstp.html

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention is responsible for:

- Working with States and local communities to track the course of HIV and AIDS (public health surveillance);
- Working to evaluate new tools and techniques for preventing HIV transmission through biomedical and behavioral interventions;
- Collaborating with scientists and researchers on HIV vaccines by providing expertise in the areas of site selection and virologic and immunologic investigations;
- Working with communities to determine the impact of HIV prevention programs and how programs may be improved;
- Funding HIV prevention programs for high-risk populations through State and local health departments, national/regional minority organizations, national business, labor, and faith partnerships, and community-based organizations (CBOs);
- Operating a national program to help schools and other youth-serving agencies deliver effective HIV
 prevention health education; and
- Assisting the Public Health Service, State and local health departments, hospitals, and professional
 organizations in the prevention and control of occupationally acquired HIV infection.

In addition, communities can access information about replicable HIV prevention programs through the Center's Prevention Research Synthesis Database.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, the CDC funds several programs that work with ethnic/racial communities.

- The <u>Community-Based HIV Prevention Services Program</u> provides funds to support cooperative agreements for HIV prevention projects with CBOs serving African Americans at increased risk of acquiring or transmitting HIV infection.
- The <u>Capacity-Building Assistance Program</u> provides funds for cooperative agreements with
 nongovernmental minority organizations to develop and implement comprehensive, regionally
 structured, capacity building assistance for CDC-funded CBOs providing HIV prevention services to
 African American populations at high risk for HIV.
- The <u>Faith Initiative</u> provides funds for cooperative agreements to support comprehensive HIV/AIDS
 education and prevention programs within African American faith, religious, and spiritual communities
 in three categories: Category I Direct HIV Prevention Services; Category II Capacity Building
 Assistance Program; and Category III Curriculum Development and Training Program.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives (Continued):

- The <u>Gay Men of Color</u> program provides funds for cooperative agreements with nongovernmental
 minority organizations to support: (1) CBOs to deliver HIV prevention services to gay men of color; and
 (2) nongovernmental minority organizations to provide comprehensive, regionally focused, capacitybuilding assistance to CBOs serving the HIV prevention needs of gay men of color.
- The <u>Community Coalition Development Program</u> provides funds to support African American
 community coalitions to plan and develop linked networks of HIV, STD, TB, substance abuse, and
 primary care services within their respective communities.

In addition, the Community Assistance, Planning, and National Partnerships Branch (CAPNPB) provides funding for:

- CBOs Serving Minority Populations for cooperative agreements for HIV prevention projects for minority CBOs serving populations at increased risk of acquiring or transmitting HIV infection; and
- National/Regional Minority Organizations (NRMOs), who provide financial and programmatic
 assistance to national, regional, and local nongovernmental minority organizations to develop and
 implement regionally structured and integrated capacity building assistance systems.

RESOURCES

Publications:

Surveillance reports, fact sheets, newsletters, brochures, and slides are available online at www.cdc.gov/nchstp/hiv_aids. *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Reports* are available through the CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN), www.cdcnpin.org. Free online subscriptions are available through the CDC subscription Web page: www.cdc.gov/subscribe.html.

Technical Assistance/ Training:

The CDC operates the National Network of STD/HIV Prevention Training Centers, which provides training to clinicians and prevention workers on a variety of topics related to HIV/STD prevention. Trainings are available through 10 regional training centers or through satellite broadcasts. Information on training schedules and topics can be accessed through the Centers' Web page: www.stdptc.uc.edu.

FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is charged with enforcing the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and is the principal consumer protection agency of the Federal Government. The FDA is responsible for ensuring that both prescription and over-the-counter drugs are safe and effective (including those used for treatment of HIV/AIDS and related symptoms), protecting the safety and wholesomeness of food, routinely investigating blood bank operations, ensuring the purity and effectiveness of biological materials, ensuring the safety and risk of medical devices (including HIV testing instruments and condoms), and approving the safety of chemicals used in cosmetic products. The FDA monitors consumer products suspected of being faulty or unfit for use, including drugs on the market that claim to cure AIDS.

- In 1992, the FDA published the final rule to accelerate the approval of New Therapies for serious and life-threatening diseases when the drug provides meaningful therapeutic benefit over existing products. Under these procedures the FDA may approve drugs based on results that reasonably predict that a drug provides clinical benefit. This clinical benefit is then confirmed through additional human studies that will be completed after marketing approval. The accelerated approval approach provides for removal of the drug from the market if further studies do not confirm the clinical benefit of the therapy. Information on new therapies can be accessed through the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service.
- The <u>HIV/AIDS Program, Office of Special Health Issues</u>, works to educate, represent, and explain to the HIV-affected community current HIV/AIDS policies, regulations, and activities of the FDA. In addition, the Office represents the FDA at public and Government meetings related to serious and lifethreatening illnesses, and assists in the development of Federal regulations related to HIV/AIDS.
- The Office of Special Health Issues coordinates the <u>FDA Patient Representative Program</u>, which provides
 ad hoc patient representatives at Antiviral Drugs Advisory Committee meetings. The patient
 representative generally provides views or opinions on problems or questions pertinent to the patient's
 point of view. The Antiviral Drugs Advisory Committee reviews most applications for HIV/AIDS-related
 therapeutics that are submitted to the FDA.

Description (Continued):

The <u>AIDS Fraud Task Forces</u> throughout the United States use a proactive approach to review fraudulent
product and/or treatment promotions affecting people with HIV/AIDS and their partners, family, and
friends. The network strives to promote awareness and prevent fraud through education that
empowers individuals. The Task Forces have developed hotlines, workshops, conferences, and advocacy
sharing as alert mechanisms to new fraudulent product promotion. Inquiries about the Task Forces can
be made through the Office of Special Health Issues.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

The agency works to have sponsors of new drug applications include subgroups, specifically gender, age, and racial subgroups, in their testing of new drugs for effectiveness and safety.

RESOURCES

Publications:

The FDA publishes a consumer magazine, FDA Consumer, which provides information on various health issues. For subscription information contact: Superintendent of Documents, P.O. Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954; fax orders to 202-512-2250 or phone orders to 202-512-1800 (8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. EST); and Web page: www.fda.gov/fdac/.

Many publications (including brochures, films, and posters) are available in English and Spanish through the FDA Web page or by contacting the FDA's Office of Consumer Inquiries at: FDA (HFE-88), 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857; phone: 301-827-4420.

HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION (HCFA)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) is the Federal agency that administers Medicare and oversees the Medicaid programs and, in collaboration with the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), administers the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). HCFA's responsibilities include:

- Assuring that the Medicaid and Medicare programs and the CHIPs are properly run by contractors and State agencies;
- Establishing policies for paying health care providers;
- Conducting research on the effectiveness of various methods of health care management, treatment, and financing; and
- Assessing the quality of health care facilities and services and taking enforcement actions as appropriate.

In addition, HCFA regulates all laboratory testing that is performed on humans in the United States that is not research-related.

- Medicaid serves more than 50 percent of all persons living with AIDS and covers up to 90 percent of all
 children with AIDS. Medicaid beneficiaries have access to the full range of services mandated under
 Federal guidelines and may also receive additional services such as targeted case management,
 preventive services, and hospice care, depending on the State plan. In addition, under Medicaid all
 States cover FDA-approved prescribed drugs for prophylactic treatment of AIDS-related opportunistic
 infections and drugs such as protease inhibitors and reverse transcriptase inhibitors for the treatment of
 HIV disease.
- The <u>Maternal HIV Consumer Information Project</u> was developed to increase patient and provider knowledge about the availability of drugs that reduce HIV transmission and to expand knowledge of Medicaid eligibility and coverage of prenatal care. HCFA works with State Medicaid agencies and Departments of Health to provide women of childbearing age with information regarding HIV testing and counseling. Medicaid also pays for HIV counseling, testing, treatment, and medications to prevent transmission of HIV from mother to child.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

In collaboration with HRSA, HCFA is working on initiatives to increase the enrollment of uninsured children who are not otherwise eligible for Medicaid into CHIP. The two agencies are working with national minority organizations and advocacy groups to promote education and enrollment in the program.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives (Continued):

HCFA conducts two grant programs, the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Grant Program and the Hispanic Health Services Research Grant Program, to promote research in areas related to ethnic minority groups and issues of access, utilization, and quality of health care services; health education and disease screening and prevention; racial disparities and socioeconomic differences; managed care systems; and costs of care.

RESOURCES

Funding:

HCFA funds programs related to research and evaluation. Inquiries should be directed to: Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Internal Customer Support, Acquisition and Grants Group, 7500 Security Boulevard, C2-21-15, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850; phone: 410-786-5701; or Health Care Financing Administration, Office of Strategic Planning, 7500 Security Boulevard, C3-11-17, Baltimore, MD 21244-1850; phone: 410-786-6644.

Publications:

The Information Clearinghouse has publications that can be accessed through the Administration's Web page (www.hcfa.gov). In addition, information on Medicaid can be accessed by calling the toll-free hotline number: 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227); TDD: 1-877-486-2048.

Technical Assistance/

Training:

HCFA provides technical assistance and training to States, providers, contractors, and its regional office staff regarding its programs.

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) administers national health programs focused on assuring quality health care to underserved, vulnerable, and special-need populations. HRSA's HIV-related programs are housed in the following Bureaus:

- Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC)
- Bureau of Health Professions (BHPr)
- HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB)
- Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB)
- Office of Special Programs (OSP)

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs

and Initiatives:

HRSA operates an Office of Minority Health that provides leadership for programs and activities that address the special needs of racial/ethnic minorities to eliminate disparities and improve health status. See individual listing for details.

RESOURCES

Funding:

See information on individual Bureaus for grant opportunities.

Publications:

See information on individual Bureaus for publications.

Technical Assistance/

Training:

See information on individual Bureaus for technical assistance and training opportunities.

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)

Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC)

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Bethesda, MD 20814

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC) assures that underserved and vulnerable people get the health care they need. The Bureau operates seven health grant programs directed to the needs of underserved communities; six of the programs fund health care services to underserved populations, including individuals with HIV and AIDS:

- The <u>Community Health Center Program</u> supports family-oriented primary and preventive health care services for people living in rural and urban communities that are medically underserved. It also provides links to welfare, Medicaid, substance abuse treatment, the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children, and related services.
- The <u>Migrant Health Center Program</u> provides access for migrant and seasonal farmworkers and their families to culturally sensitive, comprehensive medical care services and prevention-oriented and pediatric services (immunizations, well-baby care, and developmental screenings).
- The <u>Health Care for the Homeless Program</u> emphasizes a multidisciplinary approach to providing
 primary health care, mental health, and social services assistance to homeless persons. It also promotes
 coordinated efforts to establish links with other community health providers and social service agencies.
- The <u>Outreach and Primary Health Services for Homeless Children Program</u> supports innovative programs for the delivery of outreach, health services, social services, and referral for homeless children and their families.
- The <u>Public Housing Primary Care Program</u> supports primary health care services and case management services to public housing residents.
- The <u>Healthy Schools</u>, <u>Healthy Communities Program</u> supports culturally sensitive, appropriate, familyoriented, and community-specific comprehensive primary care and preventive health care services.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

BPHC operates its own Office of Minority and Women's Health, which assists in addressing the unique primary health care needs of women and ethnic and cultural groups. The Office promotes activities that reduce disparities in the health of these underserved groups and stimulates collaborative partnerships with Federal agencies, community organizations, and faith-based organizations to ensure access to affordable, comprehensive, and coordinated health care that responds to unique cultural needs. For more information contact: Office of Minority and Women's Health, Bureau of Primary Health Care, 4350 East-West Highway, 3rd Floor, Bethesda, MD 20814; phone: 301-594-4490; fax: 301-594-0089. The Office also operates a Web page that provides information on women's resources and cultural competency (www.bphc.hrsa.gov/omwh/omwh.htm).

BPHC operates HRSA's Border Health Program Priority, which works to improve the health status of people living in U.S. communities located along the U.S.-Mexico border area. The program has six priorities: Maternal and Child Health; Clinical Issues (includes HIV/AIDS and TB); Prevention/Outreach; Access Issues; Data Infrastructure; and Partnerships. Inquiries regarding the program should be addressed to: HRSA Border Health Program Priority Coordinator, BPHC/DPSP/Border Health Program Priority, 4350 East-West Highway, 9th Floor, Bethesda, MD 20814; phone: 301-594-7017 or 4897; fax: 301-594-2470.

RESOURCES

Technical Assistance/ Training:

The Office of Minority and Women's Health offers technical assistance on cultural competency. The office operates a Web page that offers two cultural competency self-assessment surveys (the Cultural Competency in Primary Health Care: Self Assessment) and a link to the National Center for Cultural Competence, a program funded by Health Resources and Services Administration. Information on the Center is available by contacting: National Center for Cultural Competence, 3307 M Street, N.W., Suite 401, Washington, D.C. 20007-3935; phone: 202-687-5387 or 800-788-2066; fax: 202-687-8899; e-mail: cultural@gunet.georgetown.edu; Web page: www.dml.georgetown.edu/depts/pediatrics/aucdc/.

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)

HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) administers the four titles and Part F of the Ryan White Comprehensive AIDS Resources Emergency (CARE) Act. The Bureau implements programs to benefit low-income, uninsured, and underinsured individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS. The programs include the following:

- Title I HIV emergency relief grant program for eligible metropolitan areas (EMAs);
- Title II HIV care grants to States;
- Title III HIV primary health care services in existing systems for low income, medically underserved people;
- Title IV Coordinated HIV services and access to research for children, youth, women, and families; and
- Part F Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) Program; the HIV/AIDS Dental Reimbursement Program; and the AIDS Education and Training Centers (AETCs) Program.

Within the Bureau, the Division of Service Systems administers Title I, II, and the AIDS Drug Assistance Program. The Division of Community-Based Programs administers Titles III, IV, and the HIV/AIDS Dental Reimbursement Program. The Division of Training and Technical Assistance coordinates technical assistance efforts and administers the AETC Program. The Office of Science and Epidemiology administers the SPNS Program and oversees data collection and program evaluation.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

Under the different titles of the CARE Act of 1996, requirements are made that underserved populations be represented in planning councils and consortia, among service recipients, and for special projects. As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, HRSA has initiated the following programs:

- Supplemental grants to Title I grantees to provide quality care to and improve health outcomes in areas that have 30 percent or more African American or Latino HIV/AIDS cases;
- Title III planning grants to assist community-based organizations in highly impacted minority communities deliver needed health care services;
- Funding AETCs to subcontract with Historically Black Colleges and Universities for education of health care providers serving African American communities in the guidelines for antiretroviral therapy; and
- Training opportunities for ethnic minority peer outreach educators working in community-based organizations.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Grants are awarded to:

- Eligible metropolitan areas with a high incidence of AIDS cases (cities with a population of 500,000 or more having more than 2,000 AIDS cases in the preceding 5 years) and States for planning, coordinating, and delivery of health and social services to individuals living and/or affected by HIV and AIDS;
- Outpatient HIV early intervention services (medical, education, and psychosocial services) for lowincome, medically underserved people in existing primary care systems;
- Systems of primary health care and social services that benefit children, youth, and women living with HIV and their families;
- Programs with innovative (replicable) models of HIV/AIDS care, designed to address special care needs
 of individuals with HIV/AIDS in minority and hard-to-reach populations;
- Targeted, multidisciplinary education and training programs for health care providers; and
- Accredited dental schools and postdoctoral dental programs for uncompensated costs incurred in providing oral health treatment to HIV-positive persons.

Publications:

Bureau Fact Sheets, *HRSA Care ACTION* newsletter, administrative reports, journal articles, and other publications are available through the HRSA HIV/AIDS Bureau Web page or by contacting the individual offices.

Technical Assistance/ Training:

Grantees can access technical assistance and training through their Project Officer(s) and/or the Division of Training and Technical Assistance.

AETC Program conducts targeted, multidisciplinary education and training programs for health care providers in designated geographic areas. AETCs collaborate with CARE Act-funded organizations, Area Health Education Centers, community-based HIV/AIDS organizations, medical and health professional schools, local hospitals, health departments, community and migrant health centers, medical societies, and other professional organizations.

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)

Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB) provides leadership, partnership, and resources to advance the health of mothers, infants, children, and adolescents. This includes children with special health care needs, families with low income levels, those with diverse racial and ethnic heritages, and those living in rural or isolated areas without access to care.

MCHB administers four programs:

- The <u>Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant</u>, which provides block grants to States creating a
 partnership (Federal/State) to develop service systems to meet maternal and child health needs;
- The <u>Healthy Start Initiative</u>, which funds the development and replication of programs and strategies to reduce infant mortality in targeted high-risk communities;
- The <u>Emergency Medical Services for Children Program (EMSC)</u>, which funds grants to States to develop or enhance EMS programs for children with critical illnesses and life-threatening injuries; and
- The <u>Abstinence Education Program</u>, which funds block grants to States to support abstinence-only
 education programs (as part of the Welfare Reform Act of 1996).

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

In addition, the Special Projects of Regional and National Significance Program under the Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant is working to guide the implementation of innovative projects and help build State and local coalitions to address adolescent health issues such as adolescent pregnancy, HIV/AIDS, violence, and injury prevention.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Grants are available for the following programs: Healthy Start Initiative: Eliminating Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Perinatal Health; State Grants to Improve EMSC for Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians; and Border Health Initiative: Border Community Outreach Program Guidance for Open Competition.

Grant guidance is available online through the MCHB Web page or by writing or calling the *HRSA Grants Application Center, 40 West Gude Drive, Suite 100, Rockville, MD 20850; phone: 1-877-477-2123 (1-877-HRSA-123).*

Publications:

A catalog of publications is available through the National Maternal and Child Health Clearinghouse. The publication can be requested by mail at 2070 Chain Bridge Road, Suite 450, Vienna, VA 22182-2536; phone: 703-356-1964 or toll free: 1-888-434-4MCH, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST Monday—Friday; fax: 703-821-2098; or online at www.mchb.hrsa.gov.

Technical Assistance/ Training:

Technical assistance and training/education are available through the Bureau's Division of Research, Training, and Education. Technical assistance and training are provided through consultation with State programs and local communities, consistent with a Bureau-wide technical assistance consultation plan, working with other agencies and organizations. In addition, assistance is available to States to meet their application requirements for State programs for women of childbearing age, infants, children, adolescents, children with special health care needs, and their families.

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)

Office of Minority Health (OMH)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

HRSA's Office of Minority Health (OMH) focuses on activities related to policy, planning, priorities, and strategies that aim to assure that the health needs of minority and underserved communities are met. The Office links Federal, State, and local health agencies, and professional and constituency organizations to existing HRSA programs addressing minority health.

The Office's key functions include the following:

- Advising the Administrator on minority health issues affecting HRSA programs and mandates;
- Working with Bureaus/Offices on the formulation, integration, and evaluation of program strategies for racial/ethnic minority populations;
- Linking HRSA programs addressing minority health to potential external sponsors, including Federal,
 State, and local health agencies and professional and constituent organizations;
- Collecting data on minority health activities within HRSA to meet statutory reporting requirements and assisting in HRSA policy development; and
- Representing HRSA programs affecting the health of racial/ethnic minorities before the public, private, and international sectors.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

Through several initiatives, such as the National Association of Hispanic-Serving Health Professions Schools, the White House Initiatives on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and the Tribal Consultation Initiatives, the OMH is providing opportunities for minorities to gain better education and training in the health professions and gain access to HRSA and other Federal programs.

The National Hispanic Religious Partnership for Community Health Project is a collaborative effort between HRSA and the Hispanic Faith Community to address and resolve health disparity issues (including those involving HIV/AIDS) by developing a network of comprehensive health services targeted to the Hispanic community.

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The mission of the Indian Health Service (IHS) is to provide health services to American Indians and Alaskan Natives to raise their health status to the highest possible level. The IHS is the principal Federal health care provider and health advocate for Indian people. With its tribal and urban Indian program partners, IHS provides health services to approximately 1.5 million American Indians and Alaskan Natives who belong to more than 550 federally recognized tribes in 35 states.

- The IHS <u>HIV/AIDS Program</u> is primarily committed to the prevention of HIV in American Indian/Alaskan Native (AI/AN) populations. Appropriate information is distributed for the development and nurturing of empowerment skills at both the individual and community levels. The pivotal task for this program is to decrease and ultimately eliminate HIV-related risk-taking behavior among the AI/AN population.
- IHS health care providers promote prevention, treatment, and psychosocial support services to HIV-seropositive and at-risk AI/ANs and their families. The IHS National AIDS Coordinator provides information on resources to 12 IHS Area AIDS Coordinators and they, in turn, present this information to their respective IHS hospitals, clinics, and tribally managed health care systems. The information distributed includes prevention and treatment to AI/ANs with and without HIV infection at the local, State, and national levels. At the local level, the IHS Area AIDS Coordinators initiate and sustain activities to increase public awareness of AIDS and HIV infection in AI/AN communities. This is accomplished through training and information activities to provide health education and risk reduction messages to various groups. Groups targeted to receive information and training include the general AI/AN population, tribal leaders, spiritual leaders, medicine men and women, women, youth, individuals practicing high-risk behavior, and IHS/tribal health care workers.
- HIV Center of Excellence (HIVCOE) provides culturally competent and comprehensive clinical care for Indian
 people. Programs and services available include HIV and STD prevention, early intervention, medical
 treatment (incorporating medical, behavioral, and traditional healing concepts), and research in the areas
 of seroprevalence study and needs assessments. For further information contact: Phoenix Indian Medical
 Center, 4212 North 16th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85016; phone: 602-263-1502; fax: 602-263-1624.

RESOURCES

Technical Assistance/ Training:

Training is available for health care professionals through the Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center. Inquiries should be addressed to: Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center, University of California, Irvine, 101 The City Drive South, Rt. 81, Bldg. 53, Orange, CA 92868; phone: 714-456-7612; fax: 714-456-7169; e-mail: sfitzgib@uci.edu; or Sheila Fitzgibbons at the Phoenix Indian Medical Center, HIVCOE; phone: 602-263-1200, x1836; and fax: 602-263-1583.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

9000 Rockville Pike, Building 1

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is composed of 25 separate Institutes and Centers:

- National Cancer Institute (NCI)
- National Eye Institute (NEI)
- National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)
- National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI)
- National Institute on Aging (NIA)
- National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA)
- National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)
- National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases (NIAMS)
- National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
- National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD)
- National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research (NIDCR)
- National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)
- National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)
- National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)
- National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS)
- National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)
- National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS)
- National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR)
- National Library of Medicine (NLM)
- Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center (CC)
- Center for Information Technology (CIT)
- National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM)
- National Center for Research Resources (NCRR)
- John E. Fogarty International Center (FIC)
- Center for Scientific Review (CSR)

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

NIH has taken strong steps to assure minority participation in clinical trials, in natural history and epidemiologic studies, and in prevention studies and to assure that the overall research agenda is responsive to the needs of all minority communities.

NIH has implemented a series of guidelines, policies, and programs to ensure that HIV-infected individuals from the most at-risk populations for HIV/AIDS are enrolled and accrued into federally sponsored AIDS clinical trials.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives (Continued):

NIH has established programs and policies specifically designed to recruit individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups into research careers and to build research infrastructure in minority institutions. These programs provide training and research opportunities across the continuum from high school students to independent investigators. NIH also supports a number of activities with the goal of disseminating research information to health care providers serving minority communities as well as to individuals at risk.

As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, NIH is supporting activities to increase the number of ethnic/racial minority principal investigators conducting HIV/AIDS research in the areas of HIV/AIDS and substance abuse. See the descriptions of individual agencies for information on other minority HIV/AIDS programs and initiatives.

RESOURCES

Funding:

See individual agency listings or contact: Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 1040 - MSC 7710, Bethesda, MD 20892-7710.

Technical Assistance/ Training:

A number of NIH programs and policies are specifically designed to recruit individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups into research careers. These programs provide training and research opportunities across the continuum from high school students to independent investigators, with the goal of increasing the diversity of the labor pool in all segments of health-related research.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) is composed of four divisions: Division of AIDS; the Division of Allergy, Immunology and Transplantation; the Division of Microbiology and Infectious Diseases; and the Division of Extramural Activities.

The **Division of AIDS (DAIDS)** is responsible for conducting and supporting research on the pathogenesis of the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV); developing new drug therapies; conducting clinical trials of promising experimental drugs for HIV infection and related opportunistic infections and cancers; carrying out epidemiologic studies to assess the impact of HIV on the populations most severely affected by the epidemic; and developing and testing HIV vaccines. Programs supported by the Division of AIDS include the following:

- The <u>Acute HIV Infection and Early Disease Research Program</u> investigates innovative ways to study how HIV-1 causes disease in adults. The program studies different facets of the disease such as viral characteristics and the effects of antiretroviral therapy. Information obtained is used to improve HIV prevention and treatment strategies.
- The <u>Adult AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG)</u> is composed of, and directed by, leading clinical scientists in HIV/AIDS therapeutic research. The group sets standards of care for HIV infection and opportunistic diseases related to HIV/AIDS in the United States and the developed world and provides the data necessary for the approval of therapeutic agents, as well as treatment and prevention strategies for many opportunistic infections and malignancies. ACTG continues to recruit participants to reflect the changing demographics of the epidemic. The NIH ACTG includes three sites in minority institutions: Howard University, University of Puerto Rico, and the University of Hawaii. For more information contact: James McTigue, Ph.D, Director; Adult ACTG Operations Center; phone: 301-230-3150; fax: 301-468-6067; e-mail: jmctigue@s-3.com.
- The <u>AIDS Clinical Trials Information Services (ACTIS)</u> provides quick and easy access to information on federally and privately funded clinical trials for adults and children. For more information, see the separate listing in the Clearinghouse section of the directory.
- The <u>Centers for AIDS Research</u> supports a multidisciplinary environment that promotes basic, clinical, behavioral, and transnational research in the prevention, detection, and treatment of HIV infection and AIDS.

Description (Continued):

- The <u>HIV Network for Prevention Trials</u> is a multi-center, collaborative research network working to
 evaluate the safety and effectiveness of promising interventions to prevent the transmission of HIV
 between sexual and/or needle-sharing partners, as well as from mother to baby during pregnancy and
 at birth. In most cases, the primary aim of these studies is to measure the effect of prevention
 interventions on reducing the number of new HIV infections.
- The <u>HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service</u> provides multilingual health information on HIV treatment options using a broad network of Federal, national, and community-based information resources. For more information, see the separate listing in the Clearinghouse section of the directory.
- The <u>NIH AIDS Research and Reference Reagent Program</u> provides state-of-the-art biological and chemical materials for the study of HIV and related opportunistic infections.
- The <u>Pediatric AIDS Clinical Trials Group</u> evaluates treatments for HIV-infected children and adolescents and new approaches for the interruption of mother-to-infant transmission. It also sets the standards of care for children infected with HIV and for the interruption of vertical transmission. For more information contact: Beth Roy, M.S., Director; Pediatric ACTG Operations Center; phone: 301-230-3150; fax: 301-816-0938; e-mail: broy@opsctr.s-3.com.
- The <u>Terry Beirn Community Programs for Clinical Research on AIDS</u> tests new therapies and treatment strategies in a large group of patients whose demographics reflect those of the current HIV epidemic.
 Data outcomes are used by primary care clinicians for purposes of better day-to-day treatment of patients.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

As of December 1997, 63 percent of the participants in NIH-sponsored AIDS clinical trials were minorities. NIH guidelines for the Request for Applications have been designed to ensure optimal participation in clinical trials of all subpopulations in which the epidemic is now raging, including women, minorities, adolescents, children, and injecting drug users. The guidelines are intended to provide improvements in the representativeness of different racial/ethnic groups in research and place an emphasis on research with subpopulations that are disproportionately affected by certain diseases or disorders.

RESOURCES

Funding:

NIH funds the Research Centers in Minority Institutions to support the infrastructure to conduct biomedical research at minority institutions.

Technical Assistance/ Training:

The AIDS Clinical Trials Infrastructures in Minority Institutions are supported by NIH to enhance HIV clinical research performed at minority institutions. The program enhances the training and number of minority investigators involved in ACTG research and the number of minority participants in clinical studies.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) administers a multidisciplinary program of research, research training, and public information on reproductive biology and population issues; on prenatal development as well as maternal, child, and family health; and on medical rehabilitation. Research in medical rehabilitation is designed to develop improved techniques and technologies with respect to the rehabilitation of individuals with physical disabilities resulting from diseases, disorders, injuries, or birth defects.

NICHD supports research projects that address maternal, pediatric, childhood, and adolescent AIDS issues.

Current projects include research and studies in the areas of:

- Therapeutic treatments for HIV infection and related diseases;
- The etiology of vertically transmitted HIV infection;
- The impact of HIV infection on children with hemophilia and the effects of HIV on child development;
- New methods of early diagnosis of HIV infection in infants and children;
- Seroprevalence of HIV in childbearing women and risk factors of human milk and its relation to HIV infection; and
- AIDS prevention and social and behavior implications and condom use and prevention of heterosexual HIV transmission.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

NICHD is involved in a cooperative project to address interventions and evaluations aimed at decreasing sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and HIV infection among minority youth. As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, NICHD has implemented Project ACCESS, a campaign to raise the awareness of minority youth of their need to be counseled and tested for HIV and to provide them with easy access to HIV testing and adolescent-focused comprehensive care.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Information on research opportunities can be obtained by contacting the Office of the Scientific Director, NICHD, 31 Center Drive, Building 31, Room 2A50, Bethesda, MD 20892-2425; phone: 301-496-2133; fax: 301-402-0105.

Publications:

Reports and other publications on HIV and human development are available by contacting the NICHD Clearinghouse through the NICHD Web page. Some of the publications are available in Spanish. Related publications include the *Pediatric AIDS Rehabilitation Research* and the *Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch Report to the NACHHD Council (June 1999). Phone: 800-370-2943 (Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. EST).*

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) supports research on the health aspects of drug abuse and addiction. The Institute also carries out a large variety of programs to ensure the rapid dissemination and use in both practice and policy settings of the results of the research it supports.

The Center on AIDS and Other Medical Consequences of Drug Abuse coordinates research activities, collaborates with other Institute components, and provides leadership on issues concerning HIV/AIDS, other infections, and the medical/health, mental health, and developmental consequences of drug abuse. Examples of current research being conducted by NIDA include issues related to HIV treatment for substance abusers, HIV disease progression, studies on the linkage of drug abuse treatment and medical care, HIV-related therapeutics for drug users, and determinants of effective HIV counseling.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

NIDA has initiated several research programs targeting ethnic minority groups. Research projects have either promoted the participation of or focused on ethnic minorities. Some of these projects have included such topics as the high risk of HIV among Latinas; the sexual risk behaviors of Native American drug users; changes in cognitive, behavioral, and psychosocial variables among high-risk African American women receiving HIV/AIDS education; prognostic indicators for AIDS among HIV-infected injecting drug users targeting the African-American population; and cultural and ethnic differences in drug-related practices and behavior.

RESOURCES

Funding:

NIDA provides opportunities for research grants and contracts to study the prevention and treatment of drug abuse. Information is available by contacting: Dr. Lucinda Miner, NIDA Deputy Research Training Coordinator; phone: 301-443-6071; or GRANTSINFO, National Institutes of Health; e-mail: grantsinfo@nih.gov; phone: 301-435-0714; fax: 301-480-0525.

Publications:

NIDA provides the following publications:

- NIDA Notes (Newsletter)
- Research Dissemination and Application Packets
- Research Dissemination and Application Videotapes
- Clinical Report Series
- Public Education Materials
- Research Report Series
- Research Monograph Series
- Community Alert Bulletins
- Fact Sheets
- Epidemiological Studies.

Publications are available through the NIDA Web page (www.nida.nih.gov); the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Abuse (www.health.org/; phone: 1-800-729-6686); and the U.S. Government Printing Office (www.gpo.gov; phone: 202-512-1800).

Other Information:

NIDA provides a calendar of events and meetings (NIH- and non-NIH-sponsored). *Information can be obtained by phone: 301-496-2266; e-mail: nihcala@od.nih.gov; or the NIDA Web page: www.nida.nih.gov.*

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) conducts research in basic neuroscience, behavioral science, and genetics in order to understand, treat, and prevent mental illness.

NIMH administers the **Division of Mental Disorders, Behavioral Research and AIDS**, which conducts research and research training related to behavioral, developmental, epidemiologic, and intervention development studies on the causes, prevention, and treatment of mental and behavioral disorders and HIV/AIDS.

The Division's **Center for Mental Research on AIDS** supports research that:

- Develops and tests behavior change and prevention strategies to reduce the further spread of HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs);
- Conducts interventions to prevent the consequences of HIV infection;
- Identifies and addresses behavioral issues in vaccine trials;
- Identifies the role of couples, families, and communities in preventing and adapting to HIV/STDs;
- Identifies the effects of HIV infection on the central nervous system (CNS) and the mechanisms that
 underlie motor/cognitive dysfunctions;
- Defines the clinical phenomena of HIV-related neuropsychological and neuropsychiatric disorders;
- Develops the appendix agents to prevent or reverse the effects of HIV on the CNS; and
- Improves mental health services relevant to HIV infection and people with severe mental illness.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

NIMH supports intervention studies involving African American women in public housing units, mothers and sons, adolescent males, gay men, and families. NIMH provides opportunities for ethnic minorities to participate in their research programs; to be Principal Research Investigators; and to provide technical assistance to faculty of historically black colleges and universities to enhance their familiarity with the NIH research funding process.

RESOURCES

Funding:

NIMH supports research studies related to HIV/AIDS and behavioral issues. Inquiries should be made to the Director of the Office on AIDS at the address listed above.

Publications:

NIMH offers a variety of publications to help researchers, mental health and primary care practitioners, patients, and the general public to gain a better understanding of mental disorders and the research programs of the Institute (some are available in Spanish). Contact: NIMH Public Inquiries, 6001 Executive Boulevard, Room 8184, MSC 9663, Bethesda, MD 20892-9663; fax: 301-443-4279; e-mail:

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NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH (NIH)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

Located within the Office of the Director of NIH, the Office of AIDS Research (OAR) is responsible for the scientific budgetary, legislative, and policy elements of the NIH AIDS research program.

OAR plans, coordinates, evaluates, and funds all NIH AIDS research. The Office supports trans-NIH Coordinating Committees to assist in the areas of:

- HIV transmission and disease progression research;
- Causes of the immune deficiency and the complications that accompany infection;
- Drug development, clinical trials, screening, and drug programs that work to inhibit specific steps in the HIV life cycle;
- Vaccine development to protect against or decrease HIV transmission and reduce disease progression;
- Behavioral and social interventions to reduce HIV transmission, understand HIV-related risk behaviors, and develop/evaluate strategies for preventing or lessening the negative consequences of HIV infection;
- Provision of research training opportunities to researchers; and
- Dissemination of information to support research, treatment, and prevention related to HIV/AIDS.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

OAR includes minority representatives in all AIDS research advisory groups: the OAR Advisory Council, which provides overall guidance on the scientific direction of the NIH AIDS research programs, and the research planning groups, which develop the annual AIDS research plan and set scientific priorities. OAR has an Ad Hoc Minority Working Group to provide advice regarding research gaps and opportunities in the area of HIV and racial/ethnic minorities.

NIH and OAR are working to advance research and provide up-to-date information on treatment and prevention to communities of color.

- The <u>Prevention Science Initiative (PSI)</u> program supports through the NIH Institutes and Centers —
 projects that focus on factors contributing to the disproportionate impact of HIV on racial/ethnic
 minorities in the U.S. and on strategies for ameliorating it; primary prevention of HIV infection among
 different racial/ethnic minority populations, including women, gay men of color, and substance abusers;
 and translational research to disseminate and implement effective interventions in minority
 communities.
- Curriculum-based AIDS information programs and modules continue to be made available nationwide
 through the Historically Black Colleges and Universities and other groups of minority health
 professionals, such as the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education. In addition,
 epidemiology studies are performed, including some involving ethnically and racially diverse cohorts of
 HIV-infected individuals and HIV-uninfected individuals at risk of infection.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives (Continued):

- As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, OAR has allocated funds for minority initiatives to support clinically oriented research. Currently, funds have been allocated in the areas of Community Outreach Programs and Formal Collaborative Programs.
- Community Outreach Programs consist of: Regional Technology Transfer Conferences to support workshops for individuals and groups that provide health care service to people living with HIV/AIDS. The purpose of the workshops is to provide health care providers with the most current information on progress of and programs in HIV/AIDS research; Community Regional Training and Research Forums, which are collaborative programs (with the National Minority AIDS Council [NMAC]) to provide training and educational events on specific topics to individuals working at the community level with HIV-infected and -affected individuals and families; and Information Exhibits that make information on HIV/AIDS research conducted at NIH available, as well as generate publications and fact sheets in an exhibit format at conferences.
- Formal Collaborative Programs consist of:
 Support for meetings with groups and organizations that have common goals in order to evaluate if collaborative efforts would make sense in terms of stretching the use of funds and increasing the effectiveness of individual programs. For example, the following NMAC programs have been supported: Internet-TV initiatives; WebMD Chat Sessions (conference Web broadcasting) and "Meet the Expert" sessions; HIV/AIDS in African American communities video production; the United States Conference on AIDS; the Equal Access Initiative Computer Grants Program; and Advisory Board meetings.

RESOURCES

Publications:

Funding: Funding information is available by calling OAR.

OAR makes available reports, news releases, and fact sheets on research programs. Some documents are available in Spanish. Documents are available through the OAR Web page. Research documents on AIDS drugs and clinical trials can also be accessed through the Library of Medicine's Internet Grateful Med at http://igm.nlm.nih.gov. Treatment information is available through the AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS), the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS), and the National AIDS Clearinghouse (see the separate listing in the Clearinghouse section of the directory).

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The mission of the Office of HIV/AIDS Policy (OHAP) is to advise the Assistant Secretary for Health and senior Department officials on the appropriate and timely development of HIV/AIDS policy, the establishment of priorities, and the implementation of HIV/AIDS programs, activities, and initiatives across the Department's health agencies.

The major functions of the Office include the following:

- Advising the Assistant Secretary for Health on HIV/AIDS budget development and on Department research, prevention, services, training, information, and organization priorities;
- Advising on the establishment of critical priorities for the Department and within HIV/AIDS programs in the health agencies to address the Secretary's and Administration's expectations for conducting a strong, comprehensive national response to the HIV epidemic;
- Promoting coordination and increased collaboration among the Department's health agencies in order to generate greater efficiency and more rapid progress in areas of research, surveillance and prevention, substance abuse and treatment, new drug development and testing, provision of health care and services, entitlement programs, foster care for children, and issues related to HIV/AIDSinfected and -affected children and families:
- Serving as the Office of the Secretary's focal point for HIV/AIDS activities and as liaison with outside HIV/AIDS interest groups, private organizations, and community-based organizations; and
- Serving as ligison with other federal departments and agencies to inform about and advise on appropriate measures for addressing HIV/AIDS issues related to their organizations' functional responsibilities.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

The U.S. Surgeon General is developing a new leadership project working to address the disproportionate impact that HIV/AIDS is having on communities of color. The project's goal is to broaden the discussion of HIV/AIDS within the African American and other minority communities and to energize and engage minority community leaders to dialogue, identify solutions for change, and implement those solutions in their communities. It is specifically designed to increase the participation of leaders — those in official positions and those leaders who set expectations in the community — in educating and enhancing their communities' efforts to address the HIV/AIDS crisis. The project seeks to accomplish its goal by creating partnerships with minority leaders from the community and public-private sector who can identify and address their communities' needs.

RESOURCES

Technical Assistance/

Training:

Technical assistance will be made available under the above-mentioned leadership project in FY 2000.

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Office of Minority Health's (OMH) mission is to improve the health of racial and ethnic populations through the development of effective health policies and programs that help to eliminate health disparities and gaps. These populations include Blacks/African Americans, American Indians and Alaska Natives, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders, and Hispanics/Latinos.

OMH works closely with sister agencies within the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and their minority health representatives. Regional minority health consultants serve as OMH representatives in the 10 DHHS regional offices. OMH also works closely with established state offices of minority health, as well as community-based organizations, national minority organizations, professional associations, and other organizations.

OMH strives to ensure that programs, policies, and data address the needs of racial and ethnic minorities at the Federal, State, and local levels. OMH has played a role in developing and implementing activities and programs related to the President's Initiative on Race, the DHHS' Initiative To Eliminate Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Health, and *Healthy People 2000* and *Healthy People 2010*.

OMH coordinates DHHS' efforts to implement selected White House initiatives, including the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities, the Hispanic Agenda for Action, the White House Initiative on Tribal Colleges and Universities, and the Asian American and Pacific Islander Action Agenda.

The Office of Minority Health Resource Center

Established in 1987, the Resource Center serves as a national resource and referral service on minority health issues. It collects, distributes, and facilitates the exchange of information on a variety of health topics. The Resource Center offers customized database searches (including funding, media, and research information), publications, mailing lists, and referrals regarding Blacks/African Americans, American Indians and Alaska Natives, Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders, and Hispanics/Latinos. Spanish/English information specialists are available. The Resource Center's databases are also available through the OMH Web page.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

The Office of Minority Health operates several programs related to minorities and HIV/AIDS. Examples of some of these programs include the following:

- The <u>Minority Community Health Coalition Demonstration Program</u> has the goal of reducing levels of HIV/AIDS among minority populations through health promotion and education activities;
- The <u>Technical Assistance and Capacity Development Demonstration Program for HIV/AIDS-Related Services in Highly Impacted Minority Communities</u> stimulates and fosters the development of effective and durable service delivery capability for HIV prevention and treatment among organizations closely interfaced with the minority populations highly impacted by HIV/AIDS;
- The <u>State and Territorial Minority HIV/AIDS Demonstration Grant Program</u> assists in identifying the
 needs within different states for HIV/AIDS prevention and services among minority populations; in
 facilitating linkages between minority community-based organizations and other state and local
 recipients of federal funds for HIV/AIDS; and in coordinating Federal resources; and
- OMH supports AIDS-related projects, under 18 umbrella <u>Cooperative Agreements</u>, such as holding
 meetings with minority leaders to provide technical assistance and to summarize HIV/AIDS minorityrelated research and providing technical assistance to communities that are severely impacted by the
 AIDS epidemic.

RESOURCES

Publications:

Available publications include a monthly newsletter, Closing the Gap, which addresses different topics concerning minority communities, and a Pocket Guide to Minority Health Resources, which lists Public Health Service minority liaisons, OMH regional coordinators, Federal information, clearinghouse information, and national organizations and programs. In addition, OMH distributes the Guide to Resources Available Through the Congressional Black Caucus — HHS Initiatives to Address HIV/AIDS in Racial and Ethnic Minority Communities. All publications and services provided by the Resource Center are free to the user. For more information contact: 1-800-444-6472 (English and Spanish); or view the Web page at: www.omhrc.gov.

Technical Assistance/ Training:

The Resource Center makes available the Resource Persons Network (RPN), which consists of a network of health professionals from a wide variety of organizations (e.g., community organizations, academia, research organizations, and medical centers) who have volunteered to provide technical assistance to community-based organizations and to other health professionals active in minority health issues.

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Office of Population Affairs (OPA) provides resources and policy advice on population, family planning, reproductive health, and adolescent pregnancy issues. OPA administers two programs that provide services to underserved populations:

- The <u>Title X Family Planning Program</u> supports grants to provide comprehensive family planning and reproductive health services (e.g., contraceptive services and supplies, basic gynecological care, cancer and general medical screening, infertility services, education, counseling, and referrals) to all persons. The program gives priority to persons from low-income families, provides free services to those individuals living at or below 100 percent of the poverty level, and assesses a sliding fee scale for those individuals between 100 percent and 250 percent of the Federal poverty level. The program sponsors a variety of continuing education programs for all levels of family planning providers each year. In addition, the program maintains a clearinghouse for information and educational materials on family planning and reproductive health and supports a research program focusing on family planning service delivery improvements.
- The <u>Title XX Adolescent Family Life Program</u> supports grants for demonstration projects in two categories: (1) developing innovative programs to provide health, education, and social services to pregnant and parenting adolescents, their infants, male partners, and families; and (2) developing and testing programs for pre-adolescents, adolescents (males and females), and their families to delay the onset of adolescent sexual activity and thus reduce the incidence of pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases (STD) infection, and HIV/AIDS. The program also supports research grants in the areas of adolescent sexuality, pregnancy and parenting, investigating the factors that influence adolescent sexual, contraceptive, and fertility behaviors, as well as the nature and effectiveness of services for pregnant and parenting adolescents.

RESOURCES

Funding:

OPA allocates funds to 10 Department of Health and Human Services Regional Offices that administer the Family Planning Programs. Grants are available to States, not-for-profit family planning councils, Planned Parenthood affiliates, and other public and private entities that provide family planning services. The Adolescent Life Program provides demonstration grants to school, universities, hospitals, public health departments, and community agencies.

Publications:

The OPA Clearinghouse collects, develops, and distributes information on family planning, adolescent pregnancy, abstinence, adoption, reproductive health care, and STDs, including HIV and AIDS. Inquiries should be made to: Office of Population Affairs Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 30686, Bethesda, MD 20824-0686; phone: 301-654-6190; fax: 301-215-7731.

OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SCIENCE (OPHS)

Office on Women's Health (OWH)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Office of Public Health and Science (OPHS), Office on Women's Health (OWH) is dedicated to improving the health of women throughout their lives by developing, directing, and coordinating initiatives in women's health research, health care services, and public and health professional education and training across agencies, regions, and offices of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). These efforts are aided by public-private partnerships.

- The <u>Women and HIV/AIDS Collaborative Group</u> consists of representatives from federal agencies and
 national and local women's organizations. The group was formed to explore issues critical to women
 with HIV/AIDS and to propose potential collaborations and partnerships to address the ongoing
 epidemic of HIV/AIDS in the lives of women in the United States.
- The <u>Secretary's Workgroup on Women and HIV/AIDS</u> provides leadership for the development of the DHHS's Women and HIV/AIDS strategy. In addition, the Workgroup provides a forum for review and discussion of the DHHS agenda on women and HIV/AIDS and is responsible for coordinating activities, creating initiatives when appropriate, and providing recommendations to the Secretary regarding women and HIV/AIDS.
- The <u>Minority Women's Health Panel of Experts</u> was established in response to OWH's 1997 conference,
 "Bridging the Gap: Enhancing Partnerships to Improve Minority Women's Health." OWH established a
 minority women's health panel of experts, whose mission is: to provide input to and serve as a resource
 for OWH in the development of minority women's health initiatives; to provide input on Departmental/
 Secretarial initiatives; and to provide input on recommendations that address OWH or DHHS initiatives
 from the 1997 conference.

RESOURCES

Publications:

The National Women's Health Information Center (NWHIC), sponsored by the OWH, makes available information in English and Spanish, by means of phone information specialists, publications, and a Web page. Information specialists can address information needs, identify the appropriate Federal and private sector referral organizations, and contact Federal organizations to order selected materials. NWHIC provides callers with access to thousands of Federal and non-Federal organizations and publications. Inquiries should be made to the NWHIC Information Specialists by calling: 1-800-994-WOMAN (1-800-994-9662); TDD: 1-888-220-5446, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday (excluding Federal holidays). Publications are also available online through NWHIC's Web page: www.4women.gov/nwhic/.

Technical Assistance/ Training:

The National Centers of Excellence in Women's Health program was developed and is being supported by the OWH to provide state-of-the-art comprehensive and integrated health care services, multidisciplinary research, and public and health care professional education targeted toward the special needs of women, including underserved and minority women. These Centers serve as active forces in their communities and across the Nation in addressing and providing for the health care needs of women. There are currently 18 Centers of Excellence, located at academic institutions in different areas of the country, that will serve as models for the Nation. The Centers will integrate health care services, research programs, public education, and health care professional training, and will forge links with health care services in the community.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) provides leadership to ensure that knowledge based on science and state-of-the-art practice is effectively used for the prevention and treatment of addictive and mental disorders. SAMHSA works to improve access and reduce barriers to programs and services for individuals who suffer from, or are at risk for, these disorders and for their families and communities.

SAMHSA administers three centers:

- Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS)
- Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)
- Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP)

In addition, SAMHSA administers special offices that focus and coordinate the agency's work in different areas of substance abuse: the Office of Applied Studies, the Office of Managed Care, the Office on AIDS, the Office for Women's Services, the Office of the Associate Administrator for Alcohol Prevention and Treatment Policy, and the Office of the Associate Administrator for Minority Concerns.

The Office on AIDS coordinates and monitors SAMHSA activities that address the critical public health problems posed by HIV disease among substance abusers and persons with mental illnesses.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

The Office of the Associate Administrator for Minority Concerns ensures that activities initiated by SAMHSA are relevant to and usable by minority population groups.

SAMHSA operates several programs that target minority populations. For example:

- The <u>Targeted Capacity Expansion Program for Substance Abuse Treatment and HIV/AIDS Services</u> works
 to enhance or expand substance abuse treatment and services related to HIV/AIDS in Hispanic and
 African American communities highly affected by substance abuse and HIV/AIDS;
- The <u>Substance Abuse Prevention/HIV Care</u> program works to increase service capacity to Hispanic and
 other minority communities; to adapt/adopt population specific interventions; and to disseminate the
 results of these population-specific interventions for replication in other communities;
- The <u>Community-Based Substance Abuse and HIV/AIDS Outreach Program</u> supports community-based HIV/AIDS outreach programs in ethnic/racial minority communities with high rates of HIV/AIDS and substance abuse; and

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives (Continued):

The <u>Community Action Grants for Service Systems Change/ Phase I Basic Action Grant-I, Hispanic Priority</u>, which works to promote the adoption of exemplary practices for Hispanic adults/adolescents that need prevention services, because they are at risk for substance abuse, or treatment services, because they are seriously chemically dependent and/or mentally ill (part of the Hispanic Priority Initiative).

RESOURCES

Funding: As part of the Congressional Black Caucus Initiative, SAMHSA is providing grant/funding opportunities for

comprehensive programs targeting ethnic minority groups (especially women and youth) in the areas of

outreach, service, prevention, and treatment of substance abuse and HIV/AIDS.

Publications: Information on materials available can be accessed through the Center for Mental Health Services

Knowledge Exchange Network and the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information. (See

Clearinghouse section for additional information.)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS) leads federal efforts to treat mental illnesses by promoting mental health and by preventing the development or worsening of mental illness when possible. Congress created CMHS to bring new hope to adults who have serious mental illness and to children with serious emotional disorders.

The CMHS strategic response to HIV/AIDS is directed in three areas:

- Since prevention remains the most critical element in reducing the incidence and prevalence of HIV/ AIDS, CMHS has a <u>High Risk Prevention/Intervention Program</u> directed at adolescents and young adults at high risk for infection and at women at risk.
- The education of mental health care providers is also a critical response to the epidemic; as HIV/AIDS
 has become more of a chronic illness than a fatal illness, mental health care providers have become
 critical in the health care of that population. CMHS has an education program designed also to yield
 data on more effective dissemination methods. Finally, the delivery of appropriate high quality mental
 health services to people living with HIV/AIDS is a very high priority.
- CMHS has completed a mental health services demonstration program in collaboration with other
 agencies and has started a new collaborative effort with five other centers/bureaus/institutes. This new
 program is examining treatment adherence, health outcomes, and costs associated with the delivery of
 mental health services to people who have a mental disorder, HIV, and a substance use disorder.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

CMHS' **Division of Program Development, Special Populations, and Projects** identifies gaps in prevention and service delivery and designs, develops, and implements programs for underserved and at-risk populations. Among its constituencies are people involved with the criminal justice system, minorities, women, older people, and rural Americans.

RESOURCES

Funding: Funding opportunities are available for the above-mentioned programs.

Publications: CMHS publishes the Mental Health Care for People Living With or Affected by HIV/AIDS: A Practical Guide.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)

Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) works cooperatively across the private and public treatment spectrum to identify, develop, and support policies, approaches, and programs that enhance and expand treatment services for individuals who abuse alcohol and other drugs. CSAT administers the following programs:

- The <u>Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant</u> is a formula grant that is made available to States on an annual basis. It is the cornerstone of public funding for substance abuse treatment programs, accounting for approximately 40 percent of all public funds expended for prevention activities and treatment services at the State level. Over 7,000 community-based organizations (CBOs) receive SAPT Block Grant funding. Funding policy for this block grant includes a set-aside of 2-5 percent of a State's allocation that must be spent to establish one or more projects to provide early intervention services for HIV disease to individuals undergoing substance abuse treatment. States with an AIDS case rate of 10 or more such cases per 100,000 population are required to obligate and expend block arant funds for such services (approximately \$54.2 million for FY 1998):
- The <u>Targeted Capacity Expansion (TCE)</u>, a discretionary (competitive) grant program, is designed to
 provide rapid and strategic responses to the demand for substance abuse treatment services that are
 more local and regional in nature. The TCE program gives local communities, tribes, and States the
 capability to create or expand existing treatment efforts, thereby offering integrated, community-based
 responses to targeted substance abuse treatment capacity problems; and
- Knowledge Development and Application Program, a discretionary (competitive) program, is designed
 to identify and fill knowledge gaps in substance abuse treatment services; to support development and
 application of new knowledge; and to serve as a conduit for feedback on needs, best practices, etc. The
 knowledge application side of this program is designed to provide for the orderly transfer of "best
 practice" information to substance abuse treatment organizations and providers.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

CSAT programs that target minority communities for treatment and prevention services include:

- The Targeted Capacity Expansion Program for Substance Abuse Treatment and HIV/AIDS Services (TCE/HIV), a discretionary (competitive) grant program, is designed to enhance and expand substance abuse treatment and services related to HIV/AIDS in African American, Hispanic/Latino, and other minority communities highly affected by the twin epidemics of substance abuse and HIV/AIDS. This program seeks to address gaps in substance abuse treatment capacity and to increase the accessibility and availability of substance abuse treatment and related HIV/AIDS services (including other sexually transmitted diseases [STDs], tuberculosis [TB] and hepatitis B and C) to African American, Hispanic/Latino, and other racial/ethnic minority substance abusers. Targeted communities must be located in metropolitan statistical areas with annual AIDS case rates that are greater than 20 such cases per 100,000 population or in States with annual AIDS case rates that are greater than 10 such cases per 100,000 population.
- The Community-Based Substance Abuse and HIV/AIDS Outreach Program (Short title: HIV/AIDS Outreach Program), a discretionary (competitive) grant program, is designed to develop community-based outreach projects to provide HIV counseling and testing services, health education and risk reduction information, access and referrals to STD and TB testing, substance abuse treatment, primary care, and mental health and medical services for those who are HIV positive or have AIDS, living in African American, Hispanic/Latino, and other racial/ethnic minority communities. Grantees are expected to provide outreach program strategies that can effectively target women who are injection drug users (IDUs), the sexual partners of IDUs, sex workers or women who exchange sex for drugs, men who are IDUs and their needle-sharing partners, men who have sex with men (MSM), MSM who inject drugs, and adolescents.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Funding opportunities are announced each fiscal year in the *Federal Register*. FY 2000 funding availability for the above programs is not known at this time.

Publications:

CSAT's dominant publications are the Treatment Improvement Protocols (TIPs) and Technical Assistance Publications (TAPs). TIPs are the products of a systematic and innovative process that brings together clinicians, researchers, program managers, policy makers, and other Federal and non-Federal experts to reach consensus on state-of-the-art treatment practices. TAPs are compilations of written materials gathered from various Federal, State, programmatic, and clinical sources, which provide practical guidance and information related to the delivery of treatment services to individuals suffering from alcoholism and other drug abuse disorders. These publications are available from the National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information. Most of the TIPs are also available online through the National Library of Medicine, Health Services Technology Assessment Text (http://text.nlm.nih.gov).

Technical Assistance/ Training:

CSAT's **Division of State and Community Assistance (DSCA)** administers an extensive technical assistance (TA) program funded from the SAPT Block Grant set-aside. TA is made available to States and their block grant subrecipients. DSCA also maintains the Treatment Improvement Exchange (TIE), a resource that provides information exchange between CSAT staff and State and local alcohol and substance abuse agencies. The TIE site (http://www.treatment.org) lists CSAT publications and resources and provides links to Federal and private online resources. CSAT also supports 14 regionally dispersed Addiction Technology Transfer Centers (ATTCs), the primary mission of which is to provide for the transfer of "best practice" information to administrators and staff of substance abuse treatment organizations and to improve knowledge and skills of substance abuse treatment providers. Additional information about the ATTCs and their curricula is available online at http://www.nattc.org.

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) provides national leadership in the Federal effort to prevent alcohol, tobacco, and illicit drug problems. CSAP's mission is to decrease substance use, abuse, and related problems among the American public by: field-testing scientifically defensible programs with diverse populations; disseminating culturally appropriate prevention strategies programs and policies; capacity-building for States and community-based providers; and increasing accountability.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

Minority programs administered by CSAP include the following:

- The <u>Substance Abuse Prevention and HIV Prevention Initiative for Youth and Women of Color</u>, which is specifically designed to address the disproportionate impact that HIV disease is having on African Americans, Latinos, American Indians, and other racial and ethnic minority populations. It is a four-pronged approach to the reduction of drug-related HIV infection, incorporating ethnographic research, coalition building, policy development, and education and awareness. This initiative illuminates the critical role that use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs plays in the promotion of HIV disease;</u>
- The <u>Family Strengthening Program</u> aims to reduce the incidence of substance abuse among youth age
 12-17 by strengthening family relationships and encouraging parental investment in their children.
 This program has three specific purposes: to increase the capacity of local communities to deliver best
 practices in effective parenting and family programs in order to reduce or prevent substance abuse; to
 document the decision-making process for the selection and testing of effective interventions in
 community settings; and to determine the impact of the interventions on the targeted families within
 the study;
- The <u>Community-Initiated Prevention Interventions/Field Studies Program</u> supports field-initiated
 projects that test, replicate, or extend to other populations substance abuse prevention interventions.
 Projects replicated have demonstrated effects for preventing, delaying, or reducing alcohol, tobacco, and
 illicit drug use among vulnerable populations in previous rigorously controlled experimental studies. In
 this program, grantees will be able to refine, adapt, and implement effective research-based
 interventions for vulnerable populations in their local community settings and/or with diverse populations;
- The <u>State Incentive Grant (SIGs) Program's</u> goal is to develop a comprehensive prevention system
 directed at reducing youth substance abuse by coordinating, leveraging, and/or redirecting Federal and
 State prevention resources for communities, families, schools, and workplaces. The SIGs provide States
 with a financial incentive to coordinate prevention resources to develop a comprehensive strategy to
 reduce youth substance abuse and implement science-based prevention programs in selected
 communities.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives (Continued):

- The <u>Centers for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPTs)</u> assist States, SIGs, and their subrecipients in applying science-based substance abuse prevention programs, practices, and policies.
 CAPTs help to disseminate the latest prevention knowledge through their work with local and State
 coalitions and partnerships and through regional workshops and meetings. CAPTs also assist substance
 abuse prevention practitioners in tailoring programs to the local needs of the community; and
- The <u>Faculty Development Program</u> works to develop a cadre of health care professionals skilled in teaching the most effective substance abuse prevention strategies to physicians, nurses, social workers, public health officials, and clergy while in their primary training, ensuring that these professionals are culturally competent in the delivery of these strategies.

RESOURCES

Funding:

Funding information is available online at: www.samhsa.gov/CSAP/index.htm.

Technical Assistance/

Training:

CSAP's Division of State and Community Systems Development provides technical assistance to States and communities. Also, the Regional Centers for the Application of Prevention Technologies provide training and technical assistance to States and communities on science-based substance abuse prevention strategies.

OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

Office of HIV/AIDS Housing

451 Seventh Street, S.W., Room 7212

Washington, DC 20410
Telephone: 202-708-1934
Fax: 202-401-0805
TTY: 800-877-8339

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Description:

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is the Federal agency responsible for national policies and programs that address America's housing needs, improve and develop the Nation's communities, and enforce fair housing laws. In December 1996, HUD developed the National AIDS Strategy with the proposed goal of ensuring that all people living with HIV have access to services, from health care to housing and supportive services, that are affordable, of high quality, and responsive to their needs.

As part of this goal, HUD's **Office of Community Planning and Development (CPD)** administers the <u>Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) Grant Program</u>. HOPWA provides housing assistance and supportive services for low-income people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWAs) and their families. The program administers two grants (formula and competitive) that are available to states and urban areas that can devise long-term comprehensive plans for meeting the housing and related needs (e.g., short-term rent, utility payments) of PWLAs and their families.

Grantees may use HOPWA funds for a broad range of housing services, for example:

- Emergency shelter:
- Shared housing, apartments, or group homes;
- Housing-related expenses, social services, and program development costs; and
- Supportive services (e.g., health/mental health services, chemical dependency treatment, case management).

In addition, in very limited case-by-case circumstances and only with approval from HUD, grantees may use HOPWA funds to pay for pharmaceutical treatments for patients. Guidance on this issue can be accessed by contacting the Office of HIV/AIDS Housing.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

HOPWA is part of the Consolidated Plan administered by the Community Development and Planning Office, which provides the framework for a planning process used by States and localities to identify housing, homeless, community, and economic development needs, and the resources and strategic plan for meeting those needs. Under the Consolidated Plan's guidelines those entities applying for the grant must show a plan for citizen participation, including minority and non-English-speaking individuals/groups.

RESOURCES

Funding:

HUD makes available funding for HOPWA through two grants:

Formula Grants for

- Cities with a population of more than 500,000 and at least 1,500 cumulative AIDS cases; and
- States with more than 1,500 cumulative AIDS cases in areas outside cities eligible to receive HOPWA.

Competitive Grants for

- States and local governments that do not qualify for formula grants; and
- Nonprofit organizations.

Inquiries on these grants should be addressed to the Office of HIV/AIDS Housing.

Publications:

Publications are available through *Community Connections, P.O. Box 7189, Gaithersburg, MD 20898-7189;* phone: 1-800-998-9999; fax: 301-519-5027; TDD: 1-800-483-2209; Web page: www.comcon.org.

Technical Assistance/ Training:

Technical assistance is provided by Community Connections, the Information Center of HUD, and the Community Planning and Development Office. The Center makes available copies of program regulations, descriptions of model programs, case studies of affordable housing initiatives, publications on expanding affordable housing opportunities, funding information, training and conference announcements, and referrals to technical assistance providers.

General information on housing and AIDS can also be accessed by contacting: The AIDS Housing of Washington National Technical Assistance Project; phone: 206-448-5242; e-mail: info@aidshousing.org.

CLEARINGHOUSES AND HOTLINES

CLEARINGHOUSES/HOTLINES

AIDS CLINICAL TRIALS INFORMATION **SERVICE (ACTIS)**

P.O. Box 6421

Rockville, MD 20849-6421

Telephone: 1-800-TRIALS-A (English, Spanish, Portuguese, and French)

TTY: 888-480-3739 Fax: 301-519-6616 Web page: www.actis.org

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Sponsoring Agencies:

The AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS) is sponsored by the following Federal agencies: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Office of AIDS Research at the National Institutes of Health, the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, the National Library of Medicine, and the Food and Drug Administration.

Description:

ACTIS provides access to vaccine information, educational materials on clinical trials, and federally and privately funded clinical trials for adults and children. ACTIS services include the following:

- An online database providing protocol information from the AIDSTRIALS database;
- Summaries of protocols in lay language;
- Information about drugs being studied in HIV/AIDS clinical trials;
- Documents from the ACTIS Web site;
- Documents from ACTIS' sister site, the HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service, including the latest Public Health Service HIV/AIDS Treatment Guidelines: and
- Selected pages from sites maintained by the Food and Drug Administration and the National Institute of Alleray and Infectious Diseases Web sites.

ACTIS also provides technical information (the Resource Guide) for research investigators who are developing treatment therapies or microbicide-based prevention strategies. The Resource Guide provides information on National Institutes of Health grant opportunities, guidelines, and contact persons at the Division of AIDS. The Resource Guide is available online or by calling the toll-free line.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs

and Initiatives:

Information specialists can answer questions in Spanish, Portuguese, and French, and some publications are available in Spanish.

CLEARINGHOUSES/HOTLINES

CDC NATIONAL PREVENTION INFORMATION NETWORK (NPIN)

National AIDS Clearinghouse

P.O. Box 6003

Rockville, MD 20849-6003

Telephone: 800-458-5231 (English and Spanish)

Fax: 888-282-7681 Web page: www.cdcnpin.org

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Contact Person:

Telephone:

E-mail:

Libraries and Resource

Centers:

CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN) Resource and Training Center in Silver Spring, Maryland

Open Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., EST Phone: 800-458-5231; Fax: 888-282-7681; TTY: 800-243-7012

NPIN Silver Spring Resource and Training Center, 8401 Colesville Road, Suite 200, Silver Spring, MD 20910

NPIN Resource and Training Center on the CDC Campus in Atlanta, Georgia

Open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., EST Phone: 404-982-0353: FaxNPIN: 404-982-0346

Atlanta Resource and Training Center, 18 Executive Park, Suite 1804, MS E-21, Atlanta, GA 30329

NPIN Resource and Training Center at the Johns Hopkins University Center for Communication Programs

Open Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., EST

Phone: 410-659-6300; Fax: 410-659-6266

E-mail: mmc@jhuccp.org

Web Site: www.jhuccp.org/mmc/mmc.stm NPIN Resource and Training Center

JHU Center for Communication Programs, 111 Market Place, Suite 310, Baltimore, MD 21202

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Sponsoring Agency:

The National Prevention Information Network is sponsored by the National Center for HIV, STD, and TB

Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Description:

NPIN is the national reference, referral, and distribution service for information on HIV/AIDS, STDs, and TB. Services are designed to facilitate the sharing of information and resources among people working in HIV, STD, and/or TB prevention, treatment, and support services.

NPIN services include the following:

- NPIN FAX reports, fact sheets, and other publications related to HIV, STD, and TB prevention;
- LISTSERV-subscription to daily CDC HIV/STD/TB Prevention News Update by e-mail. Send blank message to: preventionews-subscribe@cdcnpin.org.
- References/Referral provision of up-to-date information about organizations that provide HIV/AIDS-, STD-, and TB-related services, educational materials, and funding resources;
- Resources/Trainings various publications are available for research/reference on prevention and
 education; training is available on how to use libraries and resources. Three sites are available for
 visitors: Silver Spring, Maryland; Atlanta, Georgia; and Baltimore, Maryland; and
- The online database enabling consumers to access information on publications, Federal offices and private organizations, and conferences.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

Spanish language publications and information specialists are available to the public. Information about minority programs can be accessed through the resource centers or by calling NPIN.

CLEARINGHOUSES/HOTLINES

HIV/AIDS TREATMENT INFORMATION SERVICE (ATIS)

P.O. Box 6303

Rockville, MD 20849-6303

Telephone: 800-HIV-0440 (800-448-0440)

TTY: 988-480-3739 Fax: 998-301-519-6616

Web page: www.hivatis.org

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Sponsoring Agency:

The HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service is sponsored by the following Federal agencies: the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the National Institutes of Health, Health Care Financing Administration, the Health Resources and Services Administration, the Indian Health Service, and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Description:

ATIS provides multilingual (English, Spanish, French, and Portuguese) health information on HIV treatment options using a broad network of Federal, national, and community-based information resources. ATIS makes available the following services:

- Provides information specialists that can provide information on vaccines, clinical trials, and treatment guidelines for adults, children, health care professionals, nonoccupational exposure, and perinatal transmission;
- Provides an online database to research current treatment guidelines, research programs, and information on new and ongoing clinical trials; and
- Provides fact sheets, news releases, brochures, and research reports on different topics dealing with HIV
 that are available online or by contacting ATIS.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

Multilingual information specialists are available to answer questions. Some online information is available in Spanish.

CLEARINGHOUSES/HOTLINES

CDC NATIONAL AIDS HOTLINE AND NATIONAL STD HOTLINE

Telephone: 800-342-AIDS (2437) (HIV information in English)

800-227-8922 (STD information in English)

800-344-SIDA (7432) (HIV and STD information in Spanish)

TTY: 800-AIDS-TTY (243-7889) (HIV and STD information)

Web page: www.ashastd.org

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Person:

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E-mail:

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Sponsoring Agency:

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TB Prevention, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Description:

The CDC National AIDS and the National STD Hotlines, including their Spanish Services and TTY Services (deaf and hard of hearing), are operated under contract with the American Social Health Association. The Hotlines make available the following services:

- Provide information specialists that are available (24 hours a day, 7 days a week) to provide
 information on prevention, risk, testing, treatment, referrals, and other HIV- and STD-related concerns.
 The service can also send free publications through the mail;
- Provide educational materials on HIV/AIDS, women's health, and STDs, as well as resources for youth, parents, and health professionals. Materials are available by calling 800-783-9877, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. EST (24-hour voice mail); and
- Provide a free confidential service (Group Calls) that enables groups to call the CDC National AIDS
 Hotline and ask questions about HIV/AIDS. Participants have the opportunity to ask AIDS-related
 questions during the call. Participants can also call back, in private, and talk about any aspect of HIV
 and AIDS. The service is free, and calls can be scheduled day or night.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

The Hotlines operate a Spanish information line and a TTY line (deaf and hard of hearing) 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Hotlines' Web page and publications also can be accessed in Spanish.

CLEARINGHOUSES/HOTLINES

THE NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG INFORMATION (NCADI)

11426 Rockville Pike, Suite 200

Rockville, MD

Telephone: 800-729-6686 (English and Spanish)

Web page: www.health.org

CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact Person: Telephone: E-mail:

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Sponsoring Agency:

The National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI) is sponsored by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

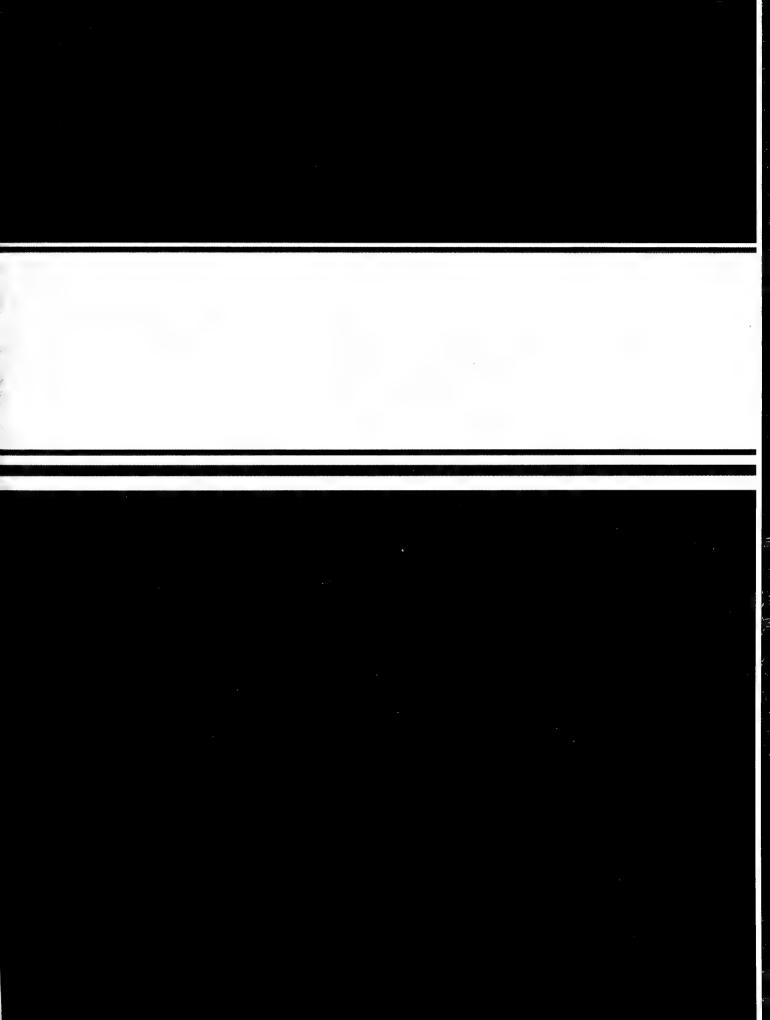
Description:

NCADI is a centralized source of information on alcohol and other drug issues. Information is available to the general public, drug and alcohol prevention specialists, drug and alcohol treatment specialists, educators, schools, community centers, hospitals, and students. The Resource Library (located in Rockville, Maryland) is open Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST. NCADI makes available the following services:

- The <u>Information Services Department</u>, which provides information on alcohol and substance abuse via telephone, e-mail, voice mail, postal mail, TDD, and fax;
- The <u>Regional Alcohol and Drug Awareness Resource (RADAR) Network</u>, which facilitates access to
 information on current regulations, alcohol and drug use, scientific findings, campaigns and materials,
 and other resources at the State and local levels. The RADAR Network consists of state clearinghouses,
 specialized information centers of national organizations, the Department of Education Regional
 Training Centers, and other organizations. For more information contact 800-729-6686, ext. 5111.
- A Web page that enables individuals and groups to access 11 different online databases to allow for
 research in the different fields of drug, alcohol, and tobacco use; information on publications; fact
 sheets, conference listings, and current research; and nine online forums available to the public;
- An online database with information on available Federal grants and contracts dealing with substance abuse;
- An inventory containing over 500 items, including pamphlets, books, conference reports, posters, flyers, videos, fact sheets, and resource lists. Information specialists provide referrals, suggest publications, research requests, and provide customized searches on many alcohol- and drug-related topics; and
- A bimonthly publication developed by the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, Prevention Pipeline,
 offering current, comprehensive information about preventing substance abuse problems.

Minority HIV/AIDS Programs and Initiatives:

Provides bilingual (English/Spanish) telephone assistance and can provide information on minority programs.



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FEDERAL AGENCIES AND RESOURCES

Name		HIV/AIDS Minority Programs	Funding Opportunities	Publications	Training & Technical Assistance	Clearinghouse	Web Page
ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES		1	1	1		1	1
ADMINISTRATION ON AGING				1		1	1
AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE POLICY AND RESEARCH		1	1	1		1	1
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION	National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	1					1
	National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention	1	1	1	1		1
	AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service	1		1		1	1
	CDC National Prevention Information Network	1		1		1	1
	HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service	1		1		1	1
	National AIDS Hotline & National STD Hotline	1		1		1	1
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION		1		1			1
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION		1	1	1	1	1	1
HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	Bureau of Primary Health Care	1	1		1		1
	HIV/AIDS Bureau	1	1	1	1		1
	Maternal and Child Health Bureau	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Office of Minority Health	1					1
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT	Office of HIV/AIDS Housing	1	1	1	1		1
INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE		1			1		1
NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH	National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases	1	1		1	1	1
	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development	1	1	1		1	1
	National Institute on Drug Abuse	1	1	1			1
	National Institute of Mental Health	1	1	1			1
	Office of AIDS Research	1		1			1
OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND SCIENCE	Office of HIV/AIDS Policy	1			1		1
	Office of Minority Health	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Office of Population Affairs		1	1		1	1
	Office on Women's Health	1		1	1	1	1
SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION	Center for Mental Health Services	1	1	1			1
	Center for Substance Abuse Treatment	1	1	1	1		1
	Center for Substance Abuse Prevention	1	1	1	1		1
	National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information	1		1		1	1

QUICK REFERENCE FOR AGENCY WEB PAGES

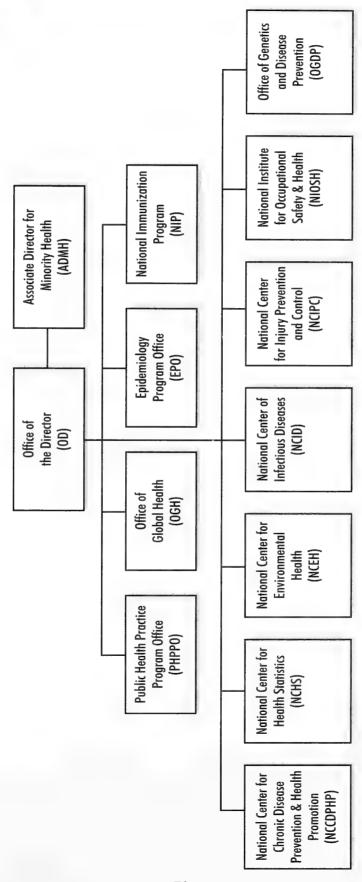
	Federal Agencies	Web Pages
ACF	Administration for Children and Families	www.acf.dhhs.gov
AOA	Administration on Aging	www.aoa.gov
AHCPR	Agency for Health Care Policy and Research	www.ahcpr.gov
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	www.cdc.gov
	National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (NCCDPHP)	www.cdc.gov/nccdphp
	National Center for HIV, STD, and TB Prevention (NCHSTP)	www.cdc.gov/nchstp/od/nchstp.html
DHHS	Department of Health and Human Services	www.dhhs.gov
FÐΑ	Food and Drug Administration	www.fda.gov
ИСГА	Health Care Financing Administration	www.hcfa.gov
HRSA	Health Resources and Services Administration	www.hrsa.gov
	Bureau of Primary Health Care (BPHC)	www.bphc.hrsa.dhhs.gov
	HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB)	www.hrsa.dhhs.gov/kab
	Maternal and Child Health Bureau (MCHB)	www.mchb.hrsa.gov
	Office of Minority Health (OMH)	www.hrsa.gov
HUD	Department of Housing and Urban Development	www.hud.gov/cpd/howahom.html
	Office of HIV/AIDS Housing (OHAH)	
IHS	Indian Health Service	www.ihs.gov
NIH	National Institutes of Health	www.nih.gov
	National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)	www.niaid.nih.gov
	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)	www.nichd.nih.gov
	National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)	www.nida.nih.gov
	National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH)	www.nimh.nih.gov
OPHS	Office of AIDS Research (OAR)	www.nih.gov/od/oar
	Office of HIV/AIDS Policy (OHAP)	www.surgeongeneral.gov/ophs/hivaids
	Office of Minority Health (OMH)	www.omhrc.gov
	Office of Population Affairs (OPA)	www.hhs.gov/progorg/opa
	Office on Women's Health (OWH)	www.4woman.gov/owh/index.htm
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)	www.samhsa.gov
	Center for Mental Health Services (CMHS)	www.samhsa.gov/cmhs
	Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)	www.samhsa.gov/csat
	Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP)	www.samhsa.gov/csap

QUICK REFERENCE FOR HEALTH INFORMATION AND CLEARINGHOUSES

Type of Information	Clearinghouse	Contact Information
Minority Health	Office of Minority Health Resource Center (OMHRC)	800-444-6472 (English and Spanish) www.omhrc.gov
HIV/AIDS/STD Information	AIDS Clinical Trials Information Service (ACTIS)	800-TRIALS-A (English, Spanish, Portuguese, and French) 888-480-3739 (Deaf and hard of hearing) www.actis.org
	CDC National Prevention Information Network (NPIN) National AIDS Clearinghouse (NAC)	800-458-5231 (English and Spanish) www.cdcnpin.org
	HIV/AIDS Treatment Information Service (ATIS)	800-HIV-0440 (800-448-0440) (English and Spanish) 888-480-3739 (Deaf and hard of hearing) www.hivatis.org
	National AIDS Hotline National STD Hotline	800-342-AIDS (2437) (HIV/AIDS information in English) 800-227-8922 (STD information in English) 800-344-SIDA (7432) (HIV/AIDS/STD information in Spanish) 800-AIDS-TTY (243-7889) (Deaf and hard of hearing) www.ashastd.org
Drug Abuse	National Clearinghouse for Alcohol and Drug Information (NCADI)	800-729-6686 (English and Spanish) www.health.org
General Health	Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion (ODPHP)	800-336-4797 (General health information) www.healthfinder.gov 800-367-4725 (<i>Healthy People 2010</i>) www.health.gov/healthypeople

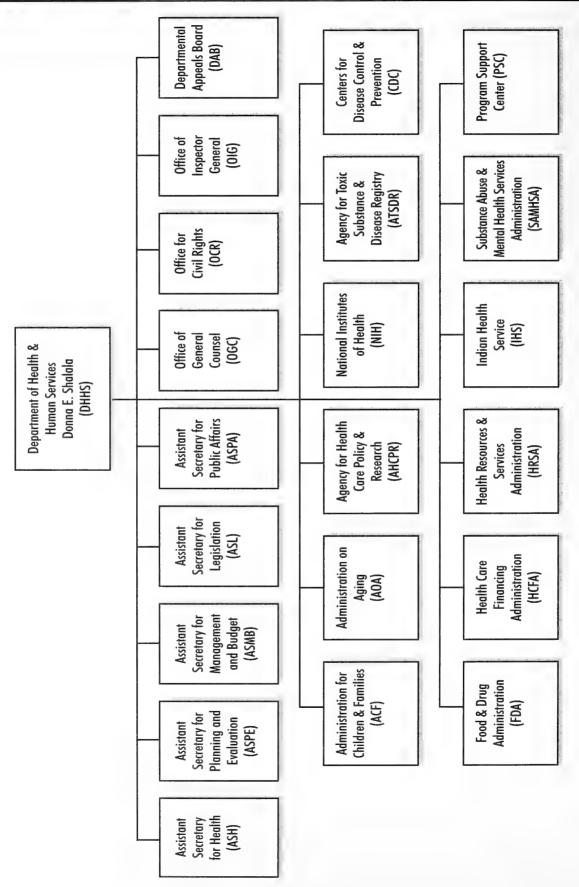
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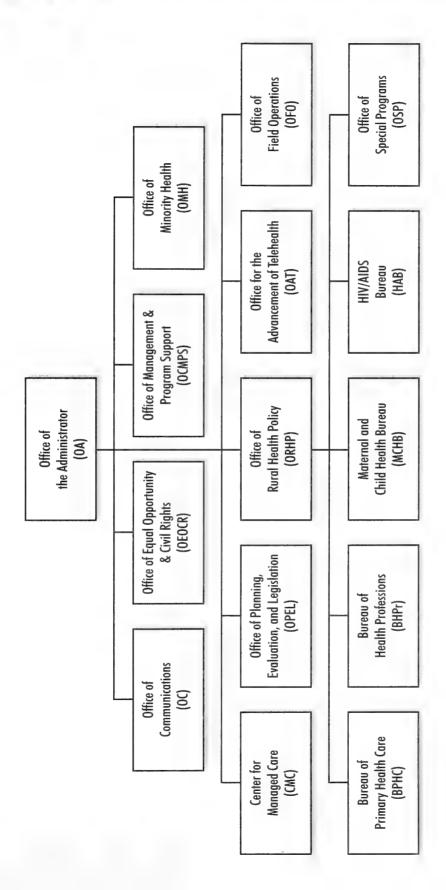
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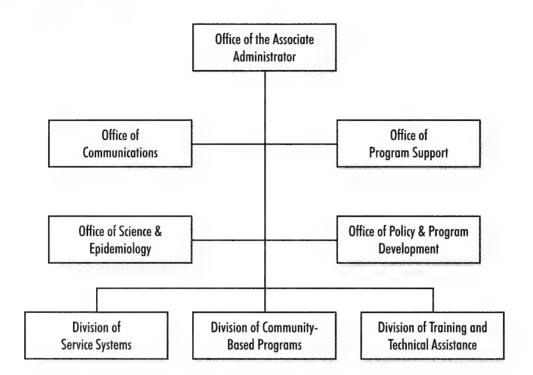
Department of Health and Human Services





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Health Resources and Services Administration, HIV/AIDS Bureau



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National Institutes of Health

